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Funds in memory of Jamey top £1k

MORE than £1,000 has been raised in memory of a 24-year-old man killed in a hit-and-run as he walked home from a night out.

Relatives of Jamey Coleman launched a campaign in aid of brain injury charity Headway and donations have been flooding in. Mr Coleman, of Springhill Road, Brownhills, was knocked down on the A5 Watling Street in Brownhills at about 3.20am on March 30 on his way back from the nearby White Horse pub.

A page has been set up on the JustGiving website in his honour. And £1,010 has now been raised in the last month. Mr Coleman's sister Simone said: "We wanted to donate Jamey's organs to help save another life, but were unable to do so as he had gone into organ failure. Jamey died at 9.30am after a six-hour battle."

Had Jamey survived his injuries, he would have needed the help from the Headway Charity.

"Our family lives have been devastated by the loss of Jamey not realising that this could happen to us."

Around 300 attended his funeral at St John's Church in Walsall Wood on April 15. Police have appealed for information but so far no-one has been arrested over the crash.

Crews tackle blaze in skip

AN arson attack on a large skip packed with five tons of rubbish sparked a blaze that threatened to engulf a shop and a parked vehicle powered by liquified petroleum gas.

The blaze in Cheapside, Willenhall was spotted by a passer-by at around 2.40am on Sunday. Firefighters battled for 40 minutes to put out the fire.

Watch Commander Andy Morgan from Willenhall fire station said: "I would encourage local people to be extra vigilant."

WORKERS SAVED BY COUNCIL CUTS

THE number of redundancies at Walsall Council has been halved since the cost-cutting plans were revealed, bosses have said.

Walsall Council needs to save £21 million over the next year, and chiefs originally announced that 332 posts would go.

But that was then cut to 277 following a consultation – with the authority saying savings could be made elsewhere.

Now it has emerged the total number of job losses is 165 after vacant posts were not filled and the rest of the at-risk workers were redeployed to other jobs. So far there have been 29 compulsory redundancies and 122 workers have taken voluntary redundancy. There are 14 posts still left to be resolved.

Positive

Conservative finance chief Councillor Chris Towe said the reduction of 112 job losses had come from 37 staff being re-deployed and 75 vacant posts not being filled. He hailed the cut in redundancies as 'positive' but said the authority still faced tough challenges in the coming years.

That would see the Tories and Liberal Democrats coalition lose control of the council. But Councillor Towe said the coalition

Report by Adam Burling

had 'worked hard to reduce the impact' of the cuts on workers. He added: "These things are always a moveable feast and the original figure has changed substantially since we first made the announcement last September. We can't just go to the bank and borrow some more money so we need to balance the budget."

"But within that we have tried to make sure that we keep as many staff as we can."

As part of the sweeping cuts across the council, a subsidy to schools for school dinners will be axed and schools will also be asked to pay for lollipop men and women at less riskier sites or risk the service being withdrawn, saving £85,000.

The cost of a blue disabled parking badge will increase from £2 to £10, while short-term placements for residential care will be reduced to save £500,000.

Arty fun for youngsters

BUDDING young performers from across the Midlands can sign up for a new summer school that is set to run at the University of Wolverhampton.

The Performing Arts Summer School will take place from next Monday to Friday at the university's Performance Hub at Walsall Campus. More than 300 primary pupils will be attending this year's summer school.

For details, contact Monica Belhouche, senior careers consultant at Monica.Belhouche@wlv.ac.uk

Chess players' right moves for final



Chess winners, from left – Cameron Rehman, Domonic Holmes, Andrew Fenn and Dylan Rehman

YOUNG chess players from Walsall have made it through to the finals of a major national tournament.

It was checkmate when the team of five from Bloxwich Junior Chess Club outwitted rivals to win places in the Giga schools UK championships next month.

Alex Jarvis, aged 13, Andrew Fenn, 11, Dominic Holmes, eight, Dylan Rehman, six, and Cameron Rehman, eight, all came through a tough series of rounds. They were among 12 members from their club, including 15-year-old Victoria Dinoo, to compete in seven qualifying rounds held at their base

at St James chapel, Old Lane. Ten of them then qualified for the mega finals held in Leek, Staffordshire, last month from which the five won trophies and a rosette. They were also crowned UK Chess Supremos for their efforts.

The talented youngsters were praised and presented with their trophies by Bloxwich councillor Shaun Fitzpatrick at a ceremony at the club.

There are 20 young people registered at the centre coached by Ray and Eunice Dolan, Manny Rehman and Alex Preedy. The junior club was set up four years ago by the Dolans.

Mr Dolan, the president of Cannock

and District Chess League, said the youngsters, who hail from Walsall, Streetly, Wolverhampton and Bloxwich, worked hard to achieve success. He said 65,000 players in the UK have taken part in the competition.

"We are extremely proud of them all. Chess is a game of strategy, concentration, planning and silence, which all parents would love I bet. They have shown all of those things," Mr Dolan said.

The club runs every Saturday during term time from 10am to 11.30am and parents should just bring their children to register.

Gym will improve health of patients

A GYM will be built at Walsall Manor Hospital to help boost patients' fitness under new plans.

The unit would be built on a grass bank at the end of the main ward block. Bosses say it will help patients' recovery and improve their fitness.

Plans have been submitted to Walsall Council and will be considered in the coming weeks.

A statement with the plans says: "The gym is to provide necessary supervised exercise space for patients. This facility is currently lacking at the moment." It comes as thousands of extra emergency patients are treated at the hospital – putting pressure on services.

It has also emerged that foreign nurses starting work at New Cross Hospital in Wednesfield are being given special lessons in Black Country dialect to help them understand patients.

University bosses have stepped in to teach workers and almost 80 people from Greece and Italy are undergoing intensive English language lessons at the university before they start work at the site. The University of Wolverhampton will verse them in local terms and sayings as part of an intensive six-week English language course.

Countdown to festival

A MUSIC festival is expected to attract hundreds of revellers to a beauty spot on July 26. The event on Pelsall Common features an electric and acoustic stage with local acts.

Proceeds will go to St Giles Hospice and the Teenage Cancer Trust. Acts include The Lock In, David Young & the Midnight Chorus, The Hard Way and Pete Kelly.

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£11m college base work begins

A NEW multi-million pound business and sports college campus is on track to open next year, after work began on site.

The £11 million campus is being created next to the main Walsall College Wisemore site after the council agreed to release its land. College bosses say the new hub is now becoming 'more and more of a reality'.

Initial drilling works has now started to help improve underground conditions of the vacant site off the main Littleton Street West.

There are pockets of limestone under the surface which have previously been infilled but extra grout filling is necessary.

A tender process is ongoing and once a main build contractor is appointed the construction of the

state-of-the-art three-storey building will start in August.

It is hoped the new campus will be open for September 2015. It forms part of the long-term £400m Giga-port initiative, which will create a business and office development along part of Walsall ring road.

The campus will include a business incubation centre, sports hall with badminton courts to Sport

England standards, dance and fitness studios and restaurant.

Deb Rajania, director of operations and resources at Walsall College, said: "Walsall's new Business and Sports Hub is becoming more and more a reality after acquiring the land from Walsall Council and we are now completing preparatory work on the infilled underground limestone caverns."

Crash death motorist walks free after trial

A MOTORIST with eight air fresheners in his car which, it was claimed, may have blocked his view when he knocked down and killed a university worker, has avoided going to jail.

Matthew Campbell, aged 27, was driving his black Mazda 2 car in Wolverhampton city centre when he struck Dr Nicholas Musgrove, 62, from Walsall. He was rushed to New Cross Hospital, but doctors

couldn't save him.

Wolverhampton Crown Court previously heard that police officers found his car had tinted windows fitted that were beyond the legal limit. As well as the air fresheners, a pair of glasses, a key ring and a soft toy were also found hanging from the rear view mirror. Campbell, however, denied they had affected his view.

The smash happened at 6am on December 20, 2012.

The forklift truck driver denied causing death by careless driving at Wolverhampton Crown Court but he was found guilty after a three-day trial.

Campbell, of Newhampton Road West, Whitmore Reans, Wolverhampton, was handed a six-month sentence, suspended for two years. He was also banned from driving for two years, and made the subject of a 12-month supervision order.

Judge Nicholas Webb said there was nothing he could say or do which would bring Dr Musgrove back, but had decided to spare Campbell an immediate custodial sentence after receiving a number of character witnesses, including those from his church.

He said he accepted the lapse in concentration which caused Dr Musgrove's death was only for a couple of seconds.

Mr Philip Morris, defending, said Campbell was a 'quiet, unassuming young man' who would have to live with the consequences of his actions for long after any sentence had been served.

Everyman gym starts at hub



Front, coach Anthony Harris, personal trainer Coleen Petty, and owner Joylyn McDonald

A GYM has been launched at a community hub – and bosses have pledged there won't be many muscle-bound men pumping iron.

The facility at Rycroft Community Hub in Walsall is aimed at families and people who would not normally have the confidence to visit a gym. It is the latest in a string of projects launched at the site in New Forest Road. Hub manager Colin Knott said: "We didn't want this to be a pumping iron gym. There's nothing wrong with that but it's not what we are about.

It is geared towards the community and getting people active. We want families to come and exercise together."

It comes after retired professional boxer Pete Till coached lads and dads boxing sessions, which encourage fathers and their sons to take part in an activity.

A beauty course has also been launched at the hub.

There are also plans for senior citizen events such as tea dances and bingo, and an after-school club.

Labour to make bid for control of council

WALSALL'S Labour group will make a formal bid to take control of the council at a meeting on June 16.

The party has appointed Sean Coughlan as the new Walsall group leader following the death of Tim Oliver.

A declaration for Labour group to take over the running of the authority will be made at a meeting of Walsall's Full Council and will depend on the vote on the night.

The party is the largest group in the borough having gained two seats at the elections, to take them to 30 out of 60. A by-election will be needed for the now vacant seat in the Birchills and Leamore ward following the death of Councillor Oliver.

Councillor Coughlan said: "We are the only major party to increase our number. We believe the vast majority of Walsall residents wanted a Labour administration that is what they have voted for."

He added they would welcome the support of other councillors who had the same values and policies as the Labour group. Labour's manifesto for Walsall included a pledge to create apprenticeships for young people, buy from local firms and provide more affordable housing.

MS group's cash boost

BLACK Country MS Society is celebrating after receiving a £450 cash boost to help pay for its weekly exercise groups.

The group, which provides support for multiple sclerosis sufferers in Walsall, Wolverhampton and Sandwell, has received a £250 donation from the Co-operative Communities Fund and a further £200 from Boost, a London-based charity which promotes healthy living.

The money will be used to support sessions at the Stan Ball Centre in Walsall, between 2pm and 3pm every Wednesday.

Blaze at pub

AROUND 150 customers watching the England v Peru match at the Imperial pub in Darwell Street, Walsall, had to be evacuated after an arson attack on Friday night. A toilet roll dispenser was deliberately set alight in the ladies toilet at 8.35pm.

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Scheme to build homes is refused

PLANS to build a new residential estate on a garage site have been rejected by council bosses amid concerns over loss of industrial land and anti-social behaviour.

A mixture of homes and flats were being planned for the Birway Garage Ltd site in Willenhall.

The company is looking to move from the Newhall Street site and the land had been earmarked for 28 homes.

But council planners have turned down the scheme which would have included 18 two-bed flats, five three-bedroom and five two-bed houses.

In a refusal notice head of planning David Elsworth said: "The proposals would result in unacceptable loss of industrial land and industrial units and as such the proposals would be contrary to the National Planning Policy Framework."

"The proposals would lead to potential crime and anti-social behaviour."

The application from John Bradshaw, of BBLB architects, said Birway Garage Ltd wants to bring together their Stafford based offices to a new site in Walsall so were looking to leave the land.

A&E targets are missed

WALSALL Manor Hospital has continued to struggle to hit A&E targets this spring, a new report has said.

The four hour waiting standard of 95 per cent was not met in April, rising to just over 90 per cent. Heath chiefs previously said they have dealt with one of their 'busiest years ever'.

In a report, Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust chief Richard Kirby, says: "As in previous months, high levels of emergency activity and difficulties discharging complex patients continue to make it difficult to deliver the 95 per cent A&E 4 hour waiting standard."

Voila, La Voix

A DRAG act who made it through to the Britain's Got Talent semi-final stage will appear at a show as part of Walsall's Pride celebrations. On July 18 a 'pre-Pride Mardi Gras party' will include a show by La Voix, at the Arbor Lights Restaurant in Lichfield Street.

Housing group chief Hew, 56, steps down



Stepping down, Mike Hew

THE chief executive of a housing association is stepping down after almost 40 years in the sector.

Mike Hew has been at the helm of Caldmore and its predecessor Caldmore Housing Association for 12 years.

The 56 year-old also worked at Cannock, Lichfield, Birmingham, Wolverhampton and Sandwell local authorities, Homezone Housing and Ashram Housing Association.

He is retiring early due to ill health. Mr Hew took over as the

chief executive at Caldmore Housing Association in 2002 when Barrie Blower MBE, who founded the organisation 30 years before that, retired.

During his time at the helm, he has seen Caldmore Housing Association join the Accord Group, securing its long-term future as an independent organisation in 2009.

Then in 2011, he led the amalgamation of Accord Housing Association and Caldmore Housing Association, which pooled resources

to provide new and better services to customers.

Mr Hew said: "Caldmore Housing Association was founded on strong community principles and I was grateful to have the opportunity to build on these and grow the organisation with these values still firmly in place. I'd like to thank all the staff and residents that I have worked with over the years, the board members and the leadership team at the Accord Group, which kept its promise to help us

grow whilst maintaining our independence. The housing sector has changed a lot over the last 40 years, with a strong focus now on residents as customers with a greater say. I hope this is something that will continue long into the future."

Dr Chris Handy OBE, chief executive of the Accord Group, said: "Mike has been instrumental in the growth of Caldmore and whilst at the same time ensuring that its community-based philosophies remain at the heart of what it does."

Coroner to raise concerns on death of 'recluse', 58

A CORONER is to write to mental health service bosses over the death of a 'reclusive' woman whose decomposed body was found at her home.

Dorothy Wilkinson, who lived alone in Walsall, had been receiving help from the North Community Recovery Centre but support seems to have tailed off in the last 18 months of her life, an inquest heard.

The hearing at Walsall Manor Hospital was told that she suffered from loneliness and had lost the motivation to keep herself and her bungalow in Bush Street, Darlaston, clean. She stopped cooking for herself and lived on chips from the local takeaway, it was heard.

The 58-year-old had stayed at the Dorothy Pattison Hospital in Walsall and told her family she wanted to go back there. The hearing was told she could barely read and had got into debt. However, a report by the mental health services claimed she was able to look after her own affairs.

Neighbours raised the alert on July 15 last year when they had not seen her for some time. A post mortem was unable to identify the cause of death because her body was so badly decomposed.

Recording a verdict of death by natural causes, West Midlands senior coroner Robin Balmain, said: "I shall be contacting the North Community Recovery Service to draw their attention to the matter and asking why the support appears to have been withdrawn."

Dudley and Walsall Mental Health Partnership NHS Trusts chief Gary Graham said: "We were sad to learn of the death of Dorothy Wilkinson. We welcome the coroner's correspondence to help us carry out a full investigation."

Ellie, from Aldridge, was the youngest British athlete at the 2008 summer Paralympics in Beijing aged just 13. She won two gold medals and followed this up with two golds at the 2012 London Paralympics.

"It's magical. It's about how she can overcome things," she said. "It's trying to show kids that if they set their mind to something, they can overcome anything."

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Big news for Alan as he turns 80



Alan Parker, who ran Parkers Newsagents in Pinson Road, Willenhall for 35 years, celebrates turning 80

A RETIRED newsagent and community stalwart has celebrated his 80th birthday surrounded by family and close friends. Alan Parker operated Parkers Newsagents, in Pinson Road, Willenhall, for 35 years before selling it in 2003 to new owners.

He and his late wife Elizabeth, known as Lil, served residents and passing motorists many of whom worked at the town's lock factories.

His family treated him to a party at Nell's Bar in Gypsy Lane. Mr Parker,

of Newlands Close, hails from Coseley, and moved to Willenhall when he bought the business from the previous owners, the Glovers.

"I've seen a lot of changes in Willenhall over the decades. The market has declined, many factories have gone, but it's nice to see new houses being built on some of the land."

"I've also had some very good staff working with me who have gone on to do very well in their chosen fields," he added. Doctor's son turned dot-

com millionaire Peter Atalla, founder of StudetNet, is among his former employees. His surprise party was thrown by his daughter Karen Bailey, 47. He has three grandchildren Joe, 21, Jack, 19, and Morgan, 16. "Everybody knows my dad. My kids say they can't walk from one end of town with him to the other without people stopping him for a chat," Mrs Bailey says.

Mr Parker's late wife Lil passed away in 1996. They had been married for more than 40 years.

NEWS in brief

Victim support seeks volunteers

VICTIM Support is looking for volunteers to help out as part of its Black Country team, with a special open day at Walsall fire station on Tuesday.

The charity is looking for people who will help provide support for people who have been the victims of crime.

This can include offering support and advice in the immediate aftermath of an offence having been committed, or attending court hearings with victims.

Weather affects carnival weekend

A MUSIC and arts festival in Walsall over the bank holiday weekend has been hailed a success by organisers despite the heavy rain.

The Caldmore & Palfrey Festival saw just a few hundred people turn up on Saturday and Sunday, compared to 20,000 last year. But as conditions improved on Monday evening around 4,000 people saw headline acts Tariq Khan and Mumzy Stranger.

A highlight was a procession from Caldmore Green to Palfrey Park.

Hill destination for the ramblers

THE Walsall Group of the Ramblers will be heading to Ashton under Hill for a 9.5 mile walk on Sunday.

'Up and Around Bredon Hill' is a steady walk up Bredon Hill to Banbury Tower and back via Overbury and Conderton.

Non members are always welcome and should call 01922 631404. Further information is available at www.walsallramblers.co.uk

Sign up to save, call to residents

RESIDENTS have until next Monday to sign up for a mass energy switching scheme which it is claimed could save them money.

Walsall Council says householders can sign up to form a single powerful buying unit. For details call 01922 652500 Monday to Thursday, 8.45am to 17.15pm and Friday, 8.45am to 16.45pm.

Knockout dinner

TV boxing pundit Steve Bunce is the guest at a sporting lunch for bosses at Birmingham's Copthorne Hotel on July 11 at 12.30pm. Tickets are £45, available off Grays Promotions, 01543 502049.

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A NEW £12 million contract will reportedly keep Jeremy Clarkson at the BBC until 2018 and make a fortune for the Corporation in overseas sales. You still wonder why Auntie refuses to get rid of him? If Clarkson blacked-up and did an impression of Barack Obama singing The Sun Has Got His Hat On, he'd still be unackable.

REJOICE, for the rocks beneath England appear to contain billions of barrels of shale oil. So if Scotland votes for independence and takes what remains of its North Sea oil, we've got plenty of our own. Did you ever doubt that God was an Englishman?

WHEN will politicians stop referring to Ukip's success as extraordinary? It was not so much extraordinary as inevitable. Push people too far in the wrong direction and one day they will push you back. A politician who doesn't get that doesn't understand anything about politics, or people.

USEFUL political phrases. In Egypt, the 50 per cent who never turn out to vote are known as the sofa party.

A SPOKESWOMAN explains that the aim of Wolverhampton University in opening an "African hub" on Mauritius (seriously) is "to further develop our course offer and grow student numbers." I wonder what that means in English.

AS new celebrity allegations arise, I am reminded that when I was covering magistrates' courts in the 1970s when some of these offences allegedly happened, the going rate for indecent assault was a £30 fine and a talking-to by the chairman of the bench. Prison was reserved for really serious offences and the courts had a very different idea of what constituted "serious". I once saw a man get three months for poaching rabbits.

HERE we go. I wondered how long it would be before Education Secretary Michael Gove's ban on taking kids on holiday in term time became a human-rights issue. Sure enough a group called Parents Want A Say claims the ban infringes the right to family life in the European Convention on Human Rights. The lawyers who created the Convention must be turning in their graves. Their solemn duty, after the horror of the Second World War, was to ensure the continent was never again taken over by dictators. The right to family life was drafted to prevent husbands, sons and fathers being carted off as slave labourers. It was never designed to give families a fortnight together in Benidorm. Today the Convention has become so devalued that it is brandished by everyone from criminals who thoroughly deserve to be deported to silly pupils who don't want to wear school uniform. Now, we are told, there is a human right to term-time holidays. PlanetSKI, a website devoted to winter sports denounces Michael Gove's ban: "It is stopping families enjoying a ski holiday at times outside official school holidays and this may have a long-term impact on the future number of skiers and snowboarders." Dear God, not a national shortage of skiers and snowboarders. It is beyond parody.

WHEN young men volunteer for war, their families do not always see them as heroes. A court heard how, when Mashudur Choudhury told his wife he wanted to join the civil war in Syria, she texted him: "Go die in battle. Go die. I really mean it, just go." I was reminded of another war and an old soldier I once interviewed. Jim Jones lied about his age to join the army in 1940 when he was just 16. The memory of his mother's reaction stayed with him for the next 70 years. She said: "If he wants to get his bloody head blown off, let him." Jim Jones won the Military Medal in Burma and came home a hero. Mashudur Choudhury is probably going to jail. Fortunes of war.

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Rail scheme slows down market bid

MOVES to create a permanent market in Walsall town centre have been held up by the multi-million pound electrification of a rail line, it has emerged.

Council chiefs are drawing up revised designs for the near 800-year-old pitch following concerns from traders over the initial proposals. A consultation was held at the start of the year and fears were raised about

the robustness of the demountable stalls, whether a back-to-back lay-out will work and accessibility as part of the £1.75m revamp.

But the need to rebuild a rail bridge which runs underneath Park Street in Walsall town centre will lead to delays in the project with some digging work necessary.

This is part of the electrification of the Chase Line, which runs

between Rugeley and Walsall. It means the revised designs for the market are now not due to go before the decision-making Walsall cabinet until the end of the 2014, meaning work could not begin until 2015.

Council leader Mike Bird said: "They have got to dig down and there is work to be done underneath Park Street, it is going to delay things."

Network Rail insists the main shopping street will be open to business as usual and efforts will be made to minimise disruption.

It is the latest phase of moves to electrify 15 miles of the Chase Line.

Council chiefs recently agreed additional time to look at the market scheme following feedback from traders and the public following a consultation.

Fireman left paralysed by crash killed himself

A FORMER firefighter who was left paralysed after a motorbike accident committed suicide after being told that doctors could not help him control the constant pain he was in.

Derek Tonks, known as Andy, left notes for his parents, sister and a former girlfriend before taking a fatal dose of prescribed anti-depressants. The 43-year-old suffered a major spinal injury in 1998. He was crushed under a car in a 15mph crash.

The accident in Noose Lane, Walsall, left him with the use of only his right arm.

He had been driving to his second ever shift after spending 10 years trying to join the service. It was his dream to follow in the footsteps of his father, also called Derek, who was a firefighter in Dudley.

Mr Tonks, who was just 28 at the time, received treatment from doctors at Oswestry's specialist spinal unit and was still under their care when he died.

His mother Patricia told his inquest at Walsall Manor Hospital that he had been determined to make the best of his life in spite of his disabilities. He learned to drive again, went on holidays, and even enjoyed diving.

On a recent visit to Oswestry, he told doctors he was having trouble swallowing and felt full even after only a small amount of food. He thought his spleen, which had been ruptured in the accident, had swollen and might have been ob-

structing part of his digestive system.

However, he was told there was nothing wrong and was 'shouted at' by a doctor, said Mrs Tonks, who had accompanied him. She said: "After that his mood changed from trying to fight to get better to giving up. It was downhill from there."

She also said he felt uncomfortable and could not sleep at nights, feeling his body to be twisted and deformed, but doctors said this was not borne out by X-rays.

She told the inquest she begged her son not to give up and even offered to accompany him to the Dignitas Clinic in Switzerland, for assisted suicide.

She said her son, who lived independently in a specially adapted flat in Bloxwich Road North, had apparently told a friend he intended to commit suicide.

Coroner Robin Balmain concluded that Mr Tonks killed himself from an overdose of amitriptyline poisoning.

Choir seeks members

MEMBERS are needed to join a brand new community choir. Meeting every Tuesday night at Wednesbury Town Hall from 7pm to 9pm, Sing Wednesbury is a non-religious choir open to all ages and abilities would be welcome.

No previous experience is necessary, just the desire to sing, and children would need to be supervised by an adult. There is no need to be pitch perfect or to be able read music. The choir will be led by an experienced teacher and you will be taught how to warm up, perform and sing in chorus. There will be lots of different songs and styles to help to learn new skills. For details call 0121 556 4914.

Amelia marks her milestone



Amelia Brown, aged 100, enjoys her big day with her daughter Yvonne Powell

CLEAN living and good parenting - those are the secrets to a long and happy life. And Amelia Brown should know - she has just celebrated her 100th birthday.

Mrs Brown, a former worker at the Scrivens opticians factory in Birmingham, marked the occasion with a party at Oak Lodge residential home in Brownhills, where she now lives. She was joined by family and friends for the celebration - but made sure she did not miss her favourite soap EastEnders that evening.

Mrs Brown grew up in Highgate Street, on the outskirts of Birmingham city centre with her parents Sarah and Jack.

After leaving Highgate Street school, she married Joseph Brown at St Matthew's Church in Netchells on Christmas Eve 1934. Mr Brown, who was a manager at electrical fittings factory Southgate's, died in 1984.

Mrs Brown has a son Joseph and daughter Yvonne and five grandchildren. She said she did not have any methods for keeping healthy but tried to look after herself.

Black cab passenger is victim of attack

A WOMAN was sexually assaulted after getting out of a taxi following a night out in Walsall.

The 39-year-old had been out in the town centre in the early hours of the morning.

Two men travelling as passengers in a black cab pulled up alongside her and offered her a lift home.

They were dropped off near to Cavendish Road, Beechdale, and the woman left the taxi separately to walk the remainder of her way home.

The woman is believed to have been followed along Bentley Lane by one of the passengers from the taxi, who then subjected her to a serious sexual assault.

He was white, of slim build, with short dark hair and protruding ears. It is believed he spoke with an eastern European accent.

Detectives are appealing for the taxi driver and anyone who was in the area at the time to step forward with any information on the assault, which happened at around 3.45am on Sunday.

Det Nicola Austin, from Walsall's public protection unit, said: "I would also appeal to anyone travelling out and about at this time in the morning and in the vicinity of Cavendish Road and Bentley Lane."

Tour of heart facility by MP

THE work of a heart charity was seen first hand by an MP. Walsall North MP candidate David Winnick visited Heart Care on the outskirts of the town centre.

He was given a glimpse of the base in Portland Street. "I was shown around the building where those who have suffered heart attacks or severe heart troubles, as the case may be, undertake exercises," he said.

"During my visit, I spoke to a number of those receiving help, and they all responded positively to the exercises following what has happened to them."

Cycle challenge

CYCLING enthusiasts are being encouraged to saddle up for a charity bike ride from Birmingham to Oxford on July 6, for the Midlands Air Ambulance.

The 77-mile ride is open to anyone over the age of 16. Registration costs £24. Visit www.bike-events.co.uk.

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Diabetes charity hopes for support

A CHARITY is urging people to take part in a series of activities for Diabetes Week.

Diabetes UK is aiming to raise awareness about the condition – which affects 3.8million people – from June 8 to 14.

A walk will take place at Walsall Arboretum on Sunday, with routes of either three or five miles. The charity is also hoping to raise several thousand pounds by collection at 300 Tesco stores across the UK from June 13 to 15.

Hearing tests on high street

AN optician is extending its services to provide hearing care on the high street. Lancaster & Thorpe Opticians in Aldridge can now offer hearing checks to over-55s. It comes after the branch in Anchor Road became part of the Scrivens Opticians & Hearing Care business.

Manager Carol Cordelle said: "NHS hearing aids have only been available from hospitals, but we are delighted to be working with the local CCG to offer this free service."

Choir is raising cash for causes

THE Pelsall Ladies Choir is holding a concert to raise money for worthy causes on Saturday at Broadway United Reformed Church.

It is in aid of Acorns Children's Hospice, St. Giles Walsall Hospice and Midland International Aid Trust UK and starts at 7.30pm. Tickets are £5 on the door. Call Margaret Merrick on 01922 693959 or June Davenport on 01922 449243 for details.

Final homes at estate to open

THE last of new homes built as part of a housing development have been made available to purchase. Barratt Homes has been behind The Bridles on Bell Lane, in Bloxwich, with the final seven houses now on offer to purchase.

Lucy Turner, sales manager, said: "The Bridles has been a fantastic development."

Road closure

A THREE-WEEK road closure is in place for water mains works. It is being carried out along Attlee Road, between the junctions of Churchill Road and Bevin Road, Walsall, until June 27.

No traffic lights on way for blackspot

TRAFFIC lights will not be installed on a zebra crossing near a busy road where an 11-year-old died after being hit by a lorry, campaigners have been told.

And plans for a new crossing further down the street where Jack Garrington was knocked down have been thrown into doubt after they were ranked 14th on a priority list for the coming year.

A petition was launched by residents after the Shire Oak Academy pupil was hit by a lorry in Chester Road, Brownhills.

They want a zebra crossing in the adjoining Lindon Road to be replaced with traffic lights. But council bosses say a survey has revealed the current crossing is 'appropriate'.

Campaigners have also called for pedestrian crossings introduced in Chester Road near Friesland Lane. An email from Steve Pretty, head of engineering and transportation, was shared by Councillor Mike Flower on a Facebook page calling for change along the road.

It said Chester Road 'would benefit from the installation of a zebra crossing or pedestrian refuge' but 'in comparison with other requests only ranks 14th on the priority list'.

Lounge gets a makeover

A CLUB lounge at the Banks's Stadium is being given a transformation ahead of the new season. The exclusive member's room is being kitted out at Walsall FC.

Commercial Manager Nina Best said: "It's something that we have been planning for, for a long time and now the dream is starting to become a reality."

"We are delighted with the progress that has been made. When finished, it's going to be an exclusive members' room where business and pleasure will go hand-in-hand."

Better entrance

A TOTAL of £13,000 has been ploughed into making improvements at Hydesville Tower School in Walsall to create a more accessible and pleasant entrance from the playground into the nearby Arboretum. It follows the introduction of a walking bus initiative.

Physio struck off over attack on doctor

A PHYSIOTHERAPIST has been struck off the medical register after a hearing was told that he punched a doctor and kneed him in the groin.

Simon Jacklin was a patient at The Limes Medical Centre in Walsall when he attacked the unnamed doctor according to documents. The health and care professions council ruled that Mr Jacklin, who who had worked as a physio across the Walsall borough, should be struck off.

A report on the hearing states: "The registrant is a patient at the surgery where Doctor A works. On March 29, 2012 he

attended the surgery shortly after 9am in an agitated state. Doctor A is a GP in the surgery who encountered the registrant in a corridor having an altercation with a GP.

"The registrant demanded that Doctor A go into an examination room where the other doctor was already seated.

"The registrant then accused Doctor A of discussing matters relating to the registrant's personal life with a third party. Doctor A denied this but the registrant demanded to know the source of this information. The registrant advanced on Doctor A. The alarm was raised and the police were

called. Before the police arrived, the registrant assaulted Doctor A by kneeling him in the groin and punching him in the side of the head causing Doctor A to fall over."

The report on the hearing said that the doctor said he did not want Mr Jacklin to be prosecuted so he signed an 'informal resolution drawn up by police, in which Mr Jacklin accepted that he had assaulted the doctor, apologised and accepted being excluded from the surgery and the practice register. The report also states that on April 7 last year he assaulted his wife, grabbing her throat with both hands and said that

he had admitted it at Walsall Magistrates resulting in a 12-month community order.

Both offences were found to be proved by the panel. They said the GP attack 'amounted to misconduct' as 'assaulting another health professional during the course of that health professional's work must amount to a serious breach of the standards of conduct expected of the registrant'.

And of the attack on his wife the decision said: "The panel accepts that a criminal conviction is a statutory ground in itself and therefore the panel found this as well." Mr Jacklin did not attend the hearing.

Trader tells how he tried to fight off robbery pair

A SHOPKEEPER has told how he tried to fight off two robbers as they hurled bottles at him and punched him in the face.

The attackers stormed into the WS10 Wines & Beers store in Darlaston on Monday morning and made off with £500 after smashing open the till. The pair threw bottles at Rajiv Sharma – known by friends and family as Sunny – before he fought back.

Two hurt after cars in collision

A MAN and a woman were injured in a two-car crash.

The woman had to be cut free by firefighters while the man was helped to safety after the collision in Blakenall Lane, Bloxwich, at around 8pm on Sunday.

The woman, who was the driver of a black convertible Vauxhall, and the man, who was driving a silver Kia, both suffered back and neck problems and were taken to Walsall Manor Hospital. There were no passengers in either car and nobody else was involved.

The road was closed while the drivers were freed and given initial treatment. Watch Commander Tim Middleton of Bloxwich Fire Station said: "We were called to the scene of a two-car road traffic collision. We had three fire engines in attendance with both drivers complaining of back and neck injuries."

"We cut free the woman driver out of her black convertible and we managed to help the man out of his car."

"Both were seen by paramedics and taken to Walsall Manor Hospital for further treatment."

Mr Sharma has been left with bruises and cuts to his eyes and nose, and needs an X-ray before the extent of the damage is known.

The 28-year-old, who runs the shop with his father Surinder Kumar, said: "They threw the bottles at me but they completely missed."

"I was trying to defend myself which I did but it was two big blokes and it was them against me so it was difficult. They punched me in the face."

Mr Kumar said they refused to be intimidated by the attack. They have run the shop for eight years and have received messages of support from customers since the robbery.

Mr Kumar added: "Sunny was on his own and working alone in the shop when two guys came in. One went round the back aisle and another one went to the drinks area near the till."

"They waited until a lady customer left and then they shut the door behind her."

"Sunny was at the till, and the man that was at the back of the shop picked up a big bottle of coke and threw it at him while the other one went round the other side of the counter. He then picked up a bottle of spirits and threw it at him as well."

Police are investigating the robbery. They are asking any witnesses to call them on 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

Scouts boost for Eve from clinic

Eve Gibbins, aged 12, is on the left, with her mother Michelle being presented with a cheque from Su Barlow.

GENEROUS staff at a fertility clinic have sponsored one of their former babies to the tune of £250 to help her attend an international scouts jamboree. Eve Gibbins, aged 12, was conceived with the help of treatment given to her parents Michelle and Les at Midland Fertility clinic, in Court Parade, Aldridge.

The girl scout, of Wolverhampton, has been chosen to represent The West Mercia Scout District at the International Scout Jamboree being held, in

Kirara-hama, Japan, next year. She is among of 3,500 youngsters from the UK to have been selected and each child has to raise £2,995 for the trip.

Eve attends Bushbury Scouts and says it has helped her to gain confidence and learn survival skills. She is currently working towards three outdoor camps to prepare for the jamboree. "I feel both happy and proud that I've been selected. It will be a life-changing experience to go to Japan and meet people from all over

the world and learn lots of new skills-for-life."

Mrs Gibbins, aged 43, went to the clinic for help in 2000 after trying to conceive for six years.

Following investigations she and husband Les, aged 49, underwent intra-cytoplasmic sperm injection (ICSI) treatment followed by a frozen embryo transfer. "We had been trying for a baby for so long, it felt like an eternity. I was ecstatic when I saw the positive pregnancy test result."

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area and Brian is finding that his approach is a major factor in his success. "The truth is that it's not just the personal satisfaction that I get from doing a good job but also it makes good business sense. I get a huge amount of business from friends and family of people

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Time for action on blocked drains

A RECENT report in the Chronicle states that the council has now introduced a new system to 'clear the gulleys routinely instead of waiting for reports of problem locations after it emerged that some were not cleared for a considerable time'.

We had our Caldmore & Palfrey Residents & NW group meeting on Monday, we discussed and had complaints about why the road drains were still blocked since 2009 to June 2014 on the same streets.

We noted over 20 fully blocked road drains in Caldmore, 11 in Palfrey and 15 in Alum-

So-called response to claims

I CAN'T resist the urge to protest at the so-called letters from J Walters, I Hunter and K Vaughan.

All three absurdly use the adjective "so-called". Walters refers to a "so-called street market".

If it's a market, and it's in the street - as it appears to be, it's not a so-called street market, but simply a street market.

Hunter refers to "these so-called academics". No, they work in universities, teaching, researching and publishing in peer-reviewed journals.

They are simply academics.Vaughan refers to a "so-called cost of living crisis". Vaughan's argument is crass.

Even if African bush people did not use mobile phones, British politicians are concerned with the cost of goods and services in Britain, where their ownership, and use on holiday, is widespread.

I cannot imagine an African being stupid enough to respond to a complaint about the high cost of mosquito nets by saying that the benighted savages of Walsall get on without them.

A HARRISON, Walsall

well which were reported to Walsall Council and councillors in 2009 and then the Local Neighbourhood Partnership meeting run by councillors. There are so many issues in Caldmore some ongoing over 15 years, road and pedestrian safety among them.

We were even then told by the council and councillors these drains were routinely cleared, which they weren't. Residents are fed up with words of promise, we want action to unblock these drains ASAP.

ARJUN CHAND, Chairperson, Caldmore & Palfrey Residents

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Positively hoping for better service

I READ that an executive director of Walsall Social Services suspended since January of 2013 on full pay, now having been sacked, has lodged an appeal against the council.

No doubt it is set to be another drain on the taxpayers, whichever way it is settled.

I also read that another Walsall school, according to an Ofsted report, is required to raise its standards.

Since last September, this makes 10 Walsall schools receiving adverse reports from Ofsted.

I had written to the leader of the council, Mike Bird on my concern for the governance failings of Walsall.

I did receive a one line answer which reads: "If ever you have anything positive

to say about the borough, please let me know."

I had made a positive request which read: "Sir, I ask you to consider that you have tried and still these failings persist.

"The failings within the administration do require change and it requires someone with the necessary attributes for this difficult task.

"For that to occur, the position that you hold has to be vacated."

After election day, is it too much to hope that those with the intellectual ability to make the necessary changes will eventually emerge?

Ray Hammond
Alexandra Way
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Thank you for support

I WOULD like to thank all of your readers in the Pelsall area who braved the somewhat inclement weather conditions and voted in the recent European and Local Elections.

In particular I wish to give a special mention to those who supported UKIP.

Unfortunately we were not successful this time in Pelsall but as the old cliché says we live to fight another day.

I also would like offer my congratulations to my colleagues who were successful in becoming UKIP's first elected Councillors on Walsall Council Liz and Darren Hazel along with Stephen Craddock.

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On song for novel debut

A SNIPPET of news that may interest older citizens of Aldridge (near Walsall)

Aldridge songwriter Jerry Williams who has co-written songs for Engelbert Humperdinck, Robin Beck and the Dreamboats and Petticoats musical has recently published his debut novel.

Titled 'In Summer' (after the Billy Fury song), it's a story about Aldridge and Walsall teenagers, motor bikes and a pop group set in the summer of 1963.

If older readers like films such as 'Some People' (Ray Brooks) and 'The Leather Boys' (Rita Tushingham) they will find this short novel a great read.

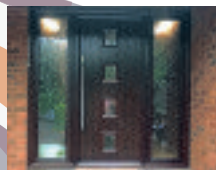
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Manor's monthly deficit is £700k above expectations

WALSALL Manor Hospital recorded a deficit of £700,000 more than expected in just one month as it continues to battle rising patient numbers and cost-cutting demands.

Bosses at the hospital had a deficit of £900,000 in April, the first financial month of the year, rather than the anticipated £200,000.

Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust needs to save £10.7 million in 2014/15 as part of its cost-improvement plan.

It has also been hit with an ever increasing amount of patients, which has seen scores of extra people from Staffordshire.

A report from chief executive Richard Kirby to board members said: "The trust has had a difficult start to the year on financial performance."

"We have reported a deficit of £900,000 which is £700,000 worse than expected."

Report by Craig Hughes

"This is partly due to continued use of extra capacity to respond to high levels of emergencies and partly due to the fact we have not fully identified the full cost improvement plan for 2014/15 with only £8 million of our £10.7m target identified."

The trust has been trying to drive down the cost of temporary workers, in a bid to reduce the amount it is spending.

Temporary

Latest figures showed expenditure on agency, locum and bank workers has dropped to below £1.5m a month, after going as high as £2m last autumn.

The cost of temporary staff was £1.3m in March, rising slightly to £1.4m in April.

The most recent expenditure was £473,000 on agency workers, £592,000 towards bank staff and another £420,000 on locums. Mr Kirby added: "Although we're

main under significant financial pressure, it is encouraging that in April we saw a second month of much lower agency use, only 1.6 per cent of the total pay bill."

Thousands of extra emergency patients have been treated at Walsall Manor over the last year, with extra numbers coming from Staffordshire where Stafford Hospital has had reduced opening hours in the accident and emergency department.

Figures for a six-month period last year showed there were 16,062 emergency admissions, against a planned target of 14,723.

It emerged in the last week that up to 70 new nurses could be recruited at the Manor by as early as September.

Plans are being put in place to bring in the registered staff in a bid to improve care at the hospital.

This is ahead of the traditionally busy winter period and health chiefs are aiming to get the nurses recruited within the next three months.

Fears growing as woman, 44, goes missing

CONCERNS are growing for a woman who has gone missing from her Moxley home. Amanda Hawkins was last seen at the supported accommodation where she lives in Sutton Road, at around 9am on Friday.

The 44-year-old is white, 5ft 2ins, of large build, with shoulder length straight auburn hair and blue eyes.

She is believed to be wearing a green jacket.

Pc Baljeet Samra, from Walsall Police, said: "As time moves on we are increasingly worried for Amanda's welfare."

"She takes medication for an on-going medical condition but we don't believe she has any with her."

"This may lead her to become disorientated and confused so we want to track her down as soon as we can."

"If you've seen her, please call 101 as soon as you can."



Amanda Hawkins

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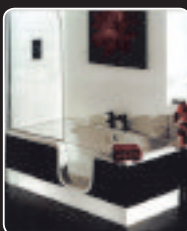
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Thousands say a last goodbye to Stephen

THOUSANDS of people from across the Black Country and beyond packed into Lichfield Cathedral to say a final farewell to inspirational teenager Stephen Sutton.

Well-wishers began queuing first thing on Friday in the shadows of Lichfield Cathedral's three spires before the two-day vigil came to a close ahead of a private family funeral.

Hundreds lined the streets of Burntwood and Lichfield as Stephen's coffin travelled in a horse-drawn carriage from his home town to the cathedral city on Thursday evening.

The 19-year-old died from terminal cancer after a courageous fight which saw his zest for life in the face of adversity inspire a nation. Stephen's coffin lay in the centre of the nave with people able to pay their respects by giving a 'thumbs up', light a candle, write in a book of condolence, and make a donation to the Teenage Cancer Trust.

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The vigil started with Tocatta from Symphony 5 as well as the Liverpool FC anthem You'll Never Walk Alone.

The Very Reverend Adrian Dorber, the Dean of Lichfield, said: "Stephen has shown us the sheer joy of existence in everything he touched."

The Teenage Cancer Trust's chief executive Siobhan Dunn said: "I think it's really important there's a public celebration of Stephen's life and I think that's exactly what he would have wanted." Drawn by four white horses resplendent in yellow head dresses, Stephen's coffin slowly passed through his home town.

Everywhere the cortege went people stopped, waving, clapping and giving the thumb's up. In The Close, where the city's cathedral is situated, a crowd of hundreds packed onto the



Stephen's brother Chris and mother Jane Sutton bravely give a thumbs-up



Messages in the book of condolence for Stephen Sutton at Lichfield



Stephen's coffin outside the cathedral entrance after its arrival on Thursday

green. Ablaze with bright colours a sombre hush was broken by the sound of horses' hooves. A grand crescendo of applause followed, reverberating of the stunning cathedral façade.

Julia Hayburn, assistant headteacher at Stephen's former school, Chase Terrace Technology College, said: "Words like awesome, awe-inspiring and inspirational became synonymous with Stephen - but they only touched the surface of what he has become on a national and international scale." Among them were Stephen's

mother Jane Sutton and his brother Chris who shared a smile, through the tears, as they raised their digits to the white coffin. In the crowd at the vigil was Lianne Woolley, 18, who had waited outside the cathedral with her mum Susan.

The Chase Terrace sixth former said: "I have come back from university and have seen yellow everywhere. I went to primary school with Stephen and because I knew him I wanted to be here. Seeing so many people here has been astonishing."

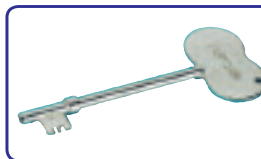
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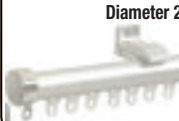


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Club getting to grips with contest success



Eugene Ford and Ryan Draper with other competitors celebrate winning the BJJ British Open Championships

FIGHTERS at a Walsall martial arts club are celebrating after winning a haul of medals at Europe's second biggest competition. Simkin Martial Arts Academy, based in Lichfield Street, walked away with 27 medals at the British Brazilian Jiu Jitsu at the NEC.

The team of 30 won nine golds, eight silvers, and 10 bronze medals – as well as picking up the team event for winning the most prizes. Instructor and founder Neil Simkin said: "It was a terrific performance from everyone."

"We now have some of the top fighters in the world. The team put in a lot of hard work in the weeks before the event and to their total credit it has all paid off."

Among the winners were Neil's children Tommy, nine, and Charli, 14, who both won gold medals.

Mr Simkin competed in martial arts all over the world and in 1995 opened his own karate club called Birmingham Shikon Martial Arts Academy. In 1997, following his sensei's retirement, he took over as head instructor of Walsall Shikon – the club where he started his career.

He founded Simkin Martial Arts Academy in the centre of Walsall and has taught martial arts for over 20 years. Classes are for everyone and anyone aged four and over.

Church to face being demolished in scheme

A CHURCH is to be demolished and replaced with a new-look building, under a revised re-development plan.

The Holy Ascension Church in Bloxwich was earmarked for a revamp three years ago but a revised downsized scheme has now been put forward. The application for the Sanstone Road site has now been lodged.

It will be considered by Walsall Council's planning committee or officers under delegated powers in the coming months.

An initial proposal was approved but a downsized scheme has been resubmitted as the original is no longer feasible. Holy Ascension Church has been meeting at its current building since November 1968.

There has been little change since prompting the plans for the new-look church. It will have a combined worship, activity and meeting area with kitchen, toilets and store space included along with cafe and welcome area.

The application put forward by agent Heather Sutton, on behalf of Rvd Roger Williams, said: "The

by Craig Hughes

current revised scheme is for a smaller building. The main reason for the change is due to the difficulty in obtaining sufficient funding for the project as originally envisaged. There is no historical significance to the current church building. However, the last 46 years have shown that there is a need for a place of worship serving the neighbourhoods of Little Bloxwich, Lower Farm, Stafford Road and Turnberry estate.

"Although the church is not as well known within the local community as would be liked – hence the desire for new, improved, clearly visible facilities, it has a history of involvement with the community."



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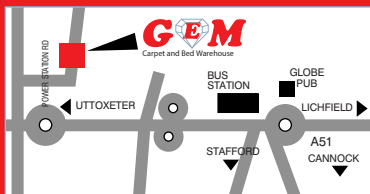
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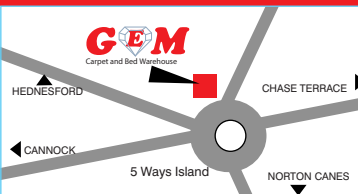


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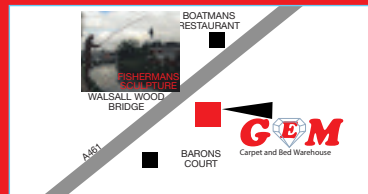


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Charity fundraiser bids farewell after 10 years

SHE first walked through the doors at Heart Care Walsall a decade ago, as a patient, fearing that she had a heart condition.

But after getting the all-clear, Joyce Bayliss then embarked on a campaign which saw her raise a total of around £11,000 for the charity – which offers exercise therapy for those with heart conditions – over the 10 years that followed.

Now the 74-year-old great grandmother is hanging up her collection tin and fundraising ideas book, leaving the area to live near her family in Derbyshire. However, she has promised that she will be looking for causes in her new home to support.

She said: "It is going to be very, very hard and I know that I'm going to cry my eyes out on the day I leave."

"I have told them I'm coming down about once a month to check they are all doing their exercise though."

The Portland Street charity provides a rehabilitation programme for people suffering from heart and lung disease and also runs a weight management programme.

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Mrs Bayliss, of Station Road, Aldridge, still attends the centre on a regular basis to make use of the cross-trainer, rowing machine and to lift weights in order to maintain her own fitness.

She raised the money for the charity by holding regular tabletop sales, raffles and tombolas, selling children's clothing some of which she knitted herself, and other items.

She said: "I've been fundraising for different charities for about 40-odd years now."

"I just like raising money for charities."



Joyce Bayliss, who has been volunteering for nearly 10 years

"I get bored if I have got nothing to do so I enjoy going out and raising money for different things."

She added: "The first thing I will be doing in Derbyshire is looking for a charity to help."

Sarah Jackson, community fund-

raiser at Heart Care Walsall, said Bayliss would be sorely missed.

She said: "We don't know what we are going to do without her. She has been invaluable."

"She has worked very hard and we are very grateful."

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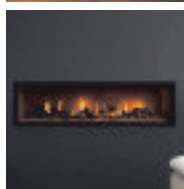
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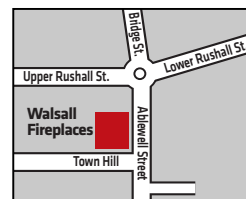
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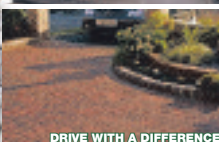
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Expansion is saucer cafe's big success



Teresa Mincher, right, with staff member Charlotte Markey, celebrating their success at Foodelicious

A HIGH street shop has taken on new staff and is thriving following a near £30,000 expansion.

Foodelicious has been trading in Walsall Wood for the last seven years as a sandwich shop. It purchased a nearby cake business last year which has moved into the existing shop, helping to bring in more customers.

The number of staff operating from Foodelicious Sandwich Bar has increased from six to eight and it now has a regular base of 80 clients for its delivery service to businesses. Foodelicious sells a range of sandwiches, baguettes, confectionery and cooked dinners to customers.

Teresa Mincher set up the sandwich shop in High Street seven years ago with just a couple of workers.

The grandmother-of-one has 28 years of experience in catering and lived in Walsall Wood for more than 30 years.

The 50-year-old said almost £30,000 has been invested in the expansion of the company and there has already been great feedback from everyone.

Mrs Mincher, who previously worked in the Aldridge area, said: "The people of Walsall Wood are fantastic, they are lovely if it wasn't for these customers and the staff I have got it would not be the thriving business we have got."

Emergency care move views will be sought

A PUBLIC consultation has been launched over plans to transform urgent and emergency care services in Walsall.

This includes the long-term future of services over the next three to five years and Walsall Walk-in Health Centre. Walsall Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is undertaking the public consultation until August 14.

Urgent care services are for a condition that isn't life-threatening but can't wait for a routine GP appointment. While emergency care is for life-threatening illness or injuries such as chest pains, loss of consciousness, choking or breathing difficulties.

The long-term vision is to bring some of the services together at Walsall Manor Hospital's A&E department, in a service that would be open 24 hours a day.

The current Walsall Walk-in Health Centre in Market Square is only due to remain in its current place until April 2015.

The three options are to move the walk-in service to another site in the town centre, out of town to the north of Walsall, or merge it with

By Craig Hughes

the existing Emergency and Urgent Care Walk-in Centre at the Manor.

Dr Anand Rischie, a GP in Walsall and the CCG's urgent care clinical lead, said: "We have listened to people who have told us they don't know which urgent care service they should use when they need help quickly."

"We believe that by bringing services together in the next three to five years, people will find it easier to know where to go at any time of the day or night. We will be able to improve the quality of care by making the best use of resources."

The feedback will be included in the CCG's five-year urgent care strategy, to be published in the autumn.



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Ballboys flying the flag at U-19s internationals

YOUNGSTERS were given the chance to be ballboys and flagbearers during international football games held at clubs situated across the Midlands.

Pupils from Chase View Primary in Rugeley have been on duties throughout the UEFA under 19s qualifiers which have been played at Walsall's Banks's Stadium.

They have also been joined by children from Holy Name Primary School in Great Barr after being invited by Walsall FC head of community Adam Davy.

Organisers say that youngsters from Chase View Primary were invited after doing the role previously and being considered both reliable and well-behaved.

At the match held on Saturday May 24, which saw England beat Montenegro 6-0 the children were treated as an integral part of the staff.

Commemorative

They were briefed by a member of the Football Association and prior to the match they held the official flags on the pitch as the players lined up.

They under took their roles as ball boys in front of a crowd of nearly 2,000.

After the game the children had the opportunity to meet the whole England team and received a commemorative pendant and pen from the Football Association.

The following Monday's match saw Montenegro take on Ukraine in front of a much smaller crowd and saw the pupils get closer to the action.

They regularly had to go into the stands to retrieve the ball.

At the end of the game both teams stopped to talk to the children and sign autographs. The ballboys were



Respect flag - Alfie Wass, Jack Summers, Christian Clinton and Owen Diegnan



Youngsters at the Banks's Stadium are seen with the England team

again presented with gifts from the FA. The final game of the series took place on Friday between Scotland and Montenegro, with the final score being 1-0 to the Eastern European side, resulting in the Scots finishing at the bottom of the table.

Teacher Paul Moberley said: "This

has been a fantastic experience for everyone and the children have done their job well and represented the Football Association, Walsall FC and their schools superbly.

"They all hope to be able to do a similar activity on numerous occasions in the future."



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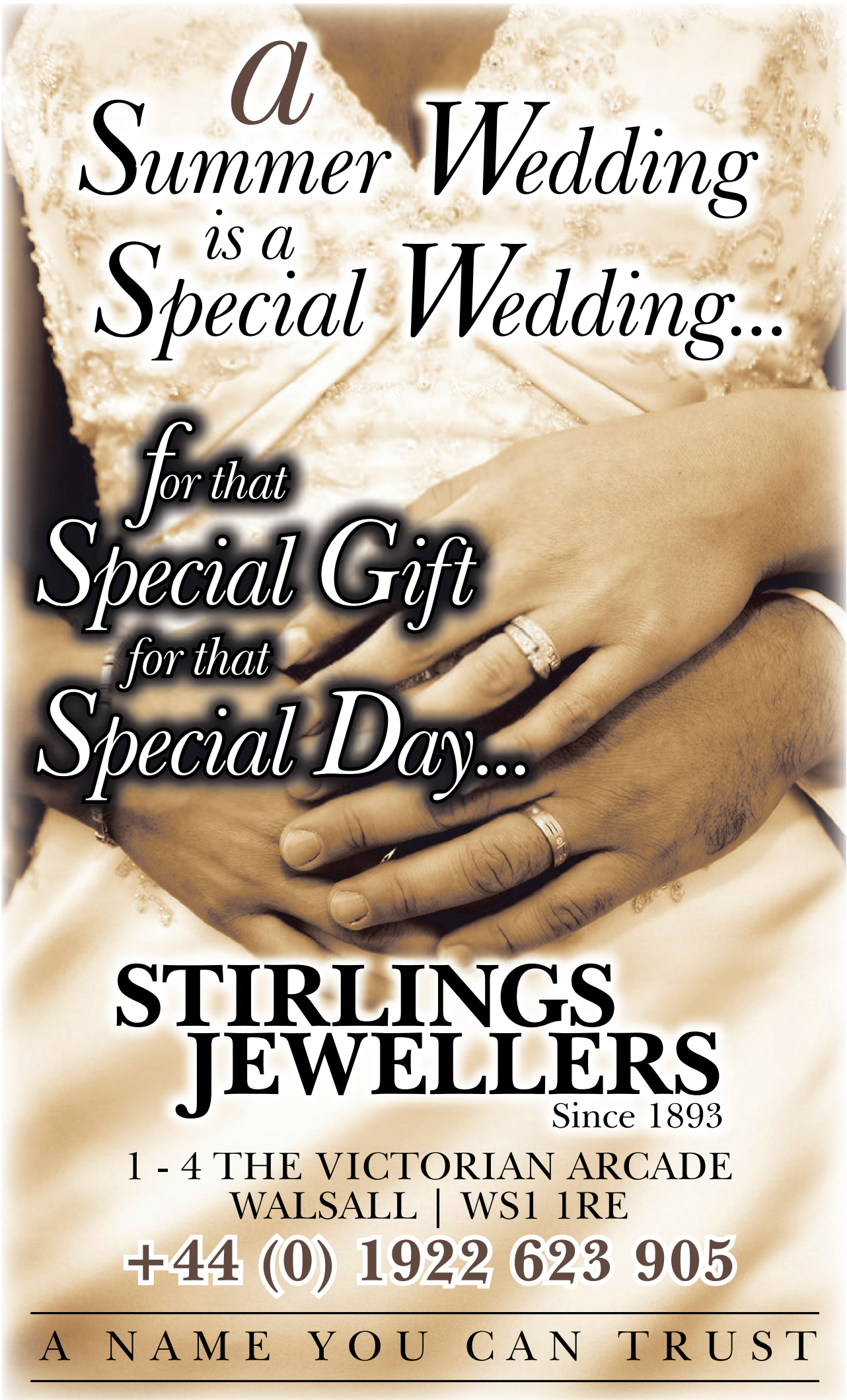
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Equipment boost gets to the heart of fitness



Helen Lisle, of Paycare Charity Trust, tries the arm ergometer, watched by Sarah Heard, Michelle Bowen and Jim Williams

THE recovery of heart and lung patients is being boosted after the donation of new exercise equipment funded by the Paycare Charity Trust.

The trust is backed by Paycare, the Wolverhampton-based health-care benefit plan company, and it has provided an arm ergometer to the Walsall Cardiac Rehabilitation Trust.

The arm ergometer allows patients with mobility problems to receive a good upper body cardiovascular ex-

ercise session and is also valuable to more able bodied patients. It works like a bicycle for the arms – the ergometer's handles act like pedals and the patient's arms move around in circles as if pedalling a bike.

The equipment was handed over to the rehabilitation trust at Streety Community Centre by the Paycare Trustees' new chairman, Hellen Lisle, in her first official engagement.

Mrs Lisle said: "It was a great pleasure for me, on behalf of Paycare Charity Trust to pass on the ergometer which is like a bicycle for the arms. I'm sure it will be valuable in helping

heart rehabilitation patients." She became chairman of Paycare Charity Trust in March when the previous chairman stood down. Mrs Lisle has been a trustee since 2006 and is currently a board member of Paycare.

Heart Care (Walsall Cardiac Rehabilitation Trust) is a local charity that has helped Walsall and Sutton Coldfield people for more than 30 years providing a rehabilitation programme for people with heart and lung disease. The unit at Streety is manned with health professionals including a doctor, nurses, exercise physiologists and health care assistants.

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WILLENHALL'S Ann Skitt retrieves her bike from the garage, deftly fixes a slipped chain, and is ready "to go anywhere."

A young-at-heart 75-year-old, she oozes charisma and charm, still goes to the gym "when she needs to shed a few pounds" and is the life and soul of the party at her local Young At Heart Club where she is a volunteer worker.

It's hard to imagine that his retired assembly worker could ever be knocked back. But failing teeth "became an embarrassment,"

she recalls. Recently she was fitted with implant-retained dentures, inspired by a newspaper article on Steven Burchell's work at the Denture Clinic.

She says: "You don't realise how having bad teeth can affect you until you have treatment like this and you get the confidence back. The whole shape of my mouth has changed. I could not have wished for better treatment. My care was first class and Steven has become like family to us."

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Paul Cranshaw

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The amount has gone beyond beyond £900 and anyone wanting to donate can go to www.justgiving.com/paulcranshaw.

Students put in the picture



David Mountney, right, takes a selfie with some of the Year 11 students

HUNDREDS of pupils donned smart suits and dresses to mark their final day at school and then proceeded to take selfies of each other, with headmaster David Mountney even getting in on the act.

The teenage Year 11 students at Aldridge School wore their gladraggs for the last day before study leave.

Around 250 students were treated to speeches followed by a buffet lunch before they gathered for photos and for some farewells – including scores of selfies.

Mr Mountney said: "We are very proud of our students and the suit day has become a real fixture on the school calendar."

Youngsters are best in business

A TEAM of enterprising students have netted a trophy in a business charity challenge. Aldridge School beat off competition from eight other schools from across Halesowen, Smethwick, Oldbury and Walsall.

Teams of Year 8 students spent the day with employers developing business plans to raise money for the

Teenage Cancer Trust and then presented them to a panel of judges.

Lorenzo Cosco, from Education Business Services Ltd, said: "They were challenged to come up with planning an event which could raise money for the Teenage Cancer Trust and every single team produced some fantastic ideas."



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BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live. 11.30 Nigellissima. (R) 12.00 Bargain Hunt. 1.00 BBC News: Weather. 1.15 Escape to the Country. (R) 2.00 Live Challenge Cup Rugby League. Wigan Warriors v Castleford Tigers (Kick-off 2.30pm). 4.30 A Question of Sport. (R) 5.00 Live Formula 1: Canadian Grand Prix Qualifying. Coverage from the Circuit Gilles Villeneuve in Montreal (Start-time 6.00pm).
7.20 BBC News: Regional News; Weather.
7.40 Pointless Celebrities: World Cup Special. Alexander Armstrong hosts an edition featuring contestants with links to the famous football tournament. The pairs are English World Cup-winning duo Geoff Hurst and George Cohen, Peter Shilton and Steve Bull, who both represented England in 1990's tournament, former footballer Graeme Le Saux and commentator Jonathan Pearce, and Hope Powell and Casey Stonery, representing the women's game. All are trying to score the lowest points possible by giving the least obvious correct answers to questions posed to 100 people before the show and win big for their chosen charities. Last in the series.
8.30 The National Lottery: In It to Win It. Dale Winton hosts the quiz in which five contestants pit their wits to scoop a big cash prize. Jenni Falconer presents the Lotto and Thunderball draws.
9.20 Casualty. A fire in a care home for the elderly puts Rita on the spot. Lily helps a man with toothache face up to the real cause of his pain and Connie questions Zoe's competence.
10.10 BBC News: Weather; National Lottery Update.
10.30 Mrs Brown's Boys. Dermot's pre-marriage nerves get the better of him, so he locks himself away in a cupboard. (R)
11.00 Live at the Apollo. Andy Parsons hosts the stand-up show recorded at London's Hammersmith Apollo, inviting comedians Andrew Lawrence and Milton Jones to share their light-hearted views on modern life. (R)
11.30 Film: Poseidon. (2006) Remake of 1970s disaster movie The Poseidon Adventure, starring Kurt Russell and Richard Dreyfuss.
1.00 Weatherview. 1.05 BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 This Is BBC Two. 6.10 Film: They Live By Night. (1948) 7.45 Great British Menu. (R) 8.45 Great British Menu. (R) 9.45 World Cup Films. 11.20 Wimbledon Classics. 1.20 Formula 1: Canadian Grand Prix Second Practice. 2.55 Live Formula 1: Canadian Grand Prix Third Practice. 4.05 Walrus: Two Tonne Tusker – Natural World. (R) 5.05 Antiques Road Trip. (R)
6.05 Flog It! Michael Baggott and Philip Serrell value antiques in Barnsley, South Yorkshire, while Paul Martin heads for a mill to learn about James Lewis's large snuff-box collection. (R)
7.00 The Summer Exhibition: BBC Arts at the Royal Academy. Kirsty Wark, Alastair Sooke and Morgan Quaintance attend the private view of the open-entry art show, talking to artists Bob and Roberta Smith, Conrad Shawcross and Yinka Shonibare.
8.00 Yes, Prime Minister. Jim gets wind of a major financial scandal in the City that is bound to have damaging repercussions for the government. With the party conference looming, he decides it's time for him to take swift and firm action – but Sir Humphrey has other ideas. (R)
8.30 I Love 1980. Actor Larry Hagman presents a look back at the highs and lows of the year's pop culture, including the shooting of his character JR in Dallas and the success of musical Fame. (R)
10.00 French and Saunders. Comedy sketches and parodies by comedy duo Dawn French and Jennifer Saunders. (R)
10.30 Victoria Wood as Seen on TV. Comedy sketches written by and starring Victoria Wood, with Julie Walters, Celia Imrie, Duncan Preston and Susie Blake. (R)
11.00 TOTP2: Duran Duran Special. Mark Radcliffe introduces memorable Top of the Pops performances by Duran Duran, including Girls on Film, My Own Way, Hungry Like the Wolf, Rio, The Reflex, Wild Boys and Notorious. (R)
11.30 TOTP2: Wham! Special. Mark Radcliffe introduces a selection of Top of the Pops performances by the duo, including Club Tropicana, Bad Boys, Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go, Freedom and Edge of Heaven. (R)
12.00 Film: Deadly Pursuit. (1988) 1.45 This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Fort Boyard Ultimate Challenge. 6.25 Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) 6.50 Canimals. (R) 7.05 Sooty. (R) 7.20 Digimon Fusion. (R) 7.45 Horrid Henry. (R) 8.00 Adventure Time. 8.25 ITV News. 8.50 Weekend. 9.25 The Hungry Saliors. (R) 10.25 Murder, She Wrote. (R) 11.20 ITV News; Weather. 11.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. (R) 12.25 Storage Hoarders. (R) 1.30 Live French Open Tennis. John Inverdale presents coverage of the women's singles final from Roland Garros, where the second Grand Slam tournament of the year takes place. Subsequent programmes subject to change. Coverage continues on ITV4 5.35 Regional Programme ; Weather. 5.45 ITV News; Weather.
6.00 Let Me Entertain You. Viewers' videos for Taylor Swift and Rizzle Kicks hits. Last in the series.
6.30 New You've Been Framed! Comedian Harry Hill puts his own spin on viewers' clips. Tonight, exploding toilets, airborne chainsaws and a cat that can play the drums, plus a rare glimpse of Darth Vader on the loose.
7.00 Britain's Got Talent: Live Final. The remaining acts face their biggest challenge yet as they perform for public votes one final time, and Little Mix sing Salute with a routine by Diversity. Last in the series.
9.30 Live International Football. England v Honduras (Kick-off 9.45pm). Coverage of the friendly at the Sunlife Stadium in Miami, as England play their final match before their World Cup opener against Italy. England have never met tonight's opponents before, but will be looking to put in a strong performance against one of the lesser-experienced sides participating in the tournament in Brazil, which begins on Thursday. While Roy Hodgson's men will expect a morale-boosting result, the Hondurans will also see this encounter as ideal preparation for the tournament, having been drawn in Group E alongside France, Switzerland and Ecuador, with their first match being against the French on June 15. Presented by Adrian Chiles, with commentary by Clive Tyldesley and Andy Townsend, and analysis from Glenn Hoddle, Lee Dixon and Ian Wright.
12.15 ITV News; Weather. 12.30 Jackpot247. 3.00 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. (R) 3.40 ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.05 The Hoobs. (R) 6.30 Trans World Sport. 7.30 The Grid. 8.00 The Morning Line. 9.00 Weekend Kitchen. 10.00 Frasier. (R) 10.30 Frasier. (R) 11.00 The Big Bang Theory. (R) 11.30 The Big Bang Theory. (R) 12.00 The Simpsons. (R) 12.30 The Simpsons. (R) 1.00 The Derby. Including the 4.00 Investec Derby (1m 4f). 4.30 Come Dine with Me. (R) 4.55 Come Dine with Me. (R) 5.25 Come Dine with Me. (R)
6.00 Come Dine with Me. (R)
6.30 Channel 4 News.
7.00 The Restoration Man. George Clarke revisits retired police officer Mark Rand and his wife Pat, who took on the restoration of the Grade II-listed water tower at Settle station in North Yorkshire. Two years after the project started, the architect wants to see if the couple have succeeded in transforming the tower into a suitable home. He also meets train enthusiast and former politician Michael Portillo, who was instrumental in saving the Settle to Carlisle line during his tenure as transport minister. Last in the series. (R)
8.00 Grand Designs. Kevin McCloud meets Tim and Philomena O'Donovan, who are trying to convert a lifeboat station in Tenby, Pembrokeshire, into a contemporary home and preserve the historic building for posterity. A weather-worn, rusting and rotting hulk that was never designed for habitation, it is perched on a steel pier 40ft above the sea and can only be reached by crossing the sandy beach at low tide. (R)
9.00 Film: My Sister's Keeper. (2009) A couple whose daughter develops leukaemia have a second child to eventually provide a donor organ for her sister. However, as the younger child enters her teens and learns why she was born, she rejects the arrangement and hires a lawyer to seek legal separation from her parents. Drama, starring Cameron Diaz.
11.05 Channel 4's Comedy Gala 2014. Entertainment extravaganza from the O2 in aid of Great Ormond Street Hospital, with an all-star line-up featuring Adam Hills, John Bishop, Aisling Bea, Jo Brand and Kevin Bridges. (R)
1.35 Film: Reno 911! Miami. (2007) 3.00 Hollyoaks. (R) 5.05 SuperScrappers. (R) 5.20 Deal or No Deal. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! 10.00 Power Rangers Megaforce. (R) 10.35 Access. 10.50 The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies. (R) 11.50 Big Brother: Power Trip Launch. (R) 1.15 Police Interceptors. (R) 2.15 NCIS Movie: Judgement Day. (R) 4.00 Film: Columbo: Ransom for a Dead Man. (1971) Detective drama, starring Peter Falk.
6.00 Film: Jesse Stone: Innocents Lost. (2011) The police chief is forced into retirement, but continues his own discreet investigations into the death of a teenage girl and a convicted murderer he believes to be innocent. Meanwhile, his former colleagues on the force struggle to cope with his replacement. Detective thriller, starring Tom Selleck and Kathy Baker. Edited for violence.
7.35 5 News Weekend.
7.40 NCIS. A marine is found with a gunshot wound six years after disappearing in Afghanistan, and the team discovers he vanished while carrying out an undercover mission. (R)
8.35 NCIS. The agents reluctantly team up with the coast guard to investigate the apparent murder of a Navy diver who was trying to recover a sunken ship and its treasure. With Mark Harmon. (R)
9.30 Big Brother: Power Trip. Daily round-up of highlights, revealing how the housemates are getting on under the all-seeing eye of Big Brother, featuring the latest tasks, games, arguments, laughs, diary room visits and bedroom chit-chat. Narrated by Marcus Bentley.
10.30 Big Brother's Bit on the Psych. Rylan Clark and Iain Lee analyse the housemates' behaviour, with the help of psychologists, body-language experts and new regular panellist Luisa Zissman.
11.30 Street Crime UK: Caught on Camera. Nick Wallis joins police forces across the nation to discover how CCTV and technological advances are helping to fight the huge rise in street crime. (R)
11.55 Access.
12.00 SuperCasino. 3.10 Illegal Immigrant & Proud. (R) 4.00 House Doctor. (R) 4.25 Make It Big. (R) 4.50 The Funky Valley Show. (R) 5.00 Angels of Jarm. (R) 5.10 Roary the Racing Car. (R) 5.20 Angels of Jarm. (R) 5.30 The Funky Valley Show. (R) 5.40 Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 Great Movie Mistakes IV: May the Fourth Be with You 7.30 Doctor Who 8.15 Top Gear 9.20 Film: Father of the Bride Part II (1995) 11.00 Family Guy 12.50 American Dad! 1.35 Backchat World Cup Special 2.20 Badtuts 2.50 Russell Howard's Good News 3.20 Sweat the Small Stuff 3.50 Great TV Mistakes 4.00 Close
BBC Four
7.00 Amazon Abyss 8.00 The Story of Science – Power, Proof and Passion 9.00 Wallander 10.25 Rome's Lost Empire 11.55 Top of the Pops: 1979 12.40 The Genius of David Bowie 1.40 Amazon Abyss 2.40 The Story of Science – Power, Proof and Passion 3.40 Close
ITV2
11.55 Farewell Tina 12.25 Take Me Out 1.35 I Wanna Marry "Harry" 3.30 You've Been Framed! 4.35 Film: Twister (1996) 6.50 Film: Star Wars: Episode VI – Return of the Jedi (1983) 9.30 Britain's Got More Talent 10.30 TV 00 11.00 Film: Shaun of the Dead (2004) 1.05 Viral Tap 1.45 Britain's Got More Talent 2.35 You've Been Framed! 3.00 Teleshopping
ITV3
1.00 Agatha Christie's Marple 3.00 Midsomer Murders 11.00 Agatha Christie's Marple 1.05 Judge Judy 1.50 Movies Now 2.00 ITV3 Nightscreen 2.30 Teleshopping
ITV4
1.40 Magnum, PI 2.40 Film: Dunkirk (1958) 5.30 Live French Open Tennis. Continued coverage of the day's play at Roland Garros. 7.00 Hornblower 9.00 TT 2014 10.00 Film: A Dangerous Man (2010) 12.00 Grand Prix Racer 1.00 TT 2014 2.00 Nitro Circus 2.55 ITV4 Nightscreen 3.00 Teleshopping 3.30 The Store 5.00 Teleshopping
E4
12.00 How I Met Your Mother 2.00 The Big Bang Theory 3.00 Made in Chelsea 4.00 Youngers 4.35 Rude(ish) Tube 5.30 How I Met Your Mother 6.50 The Big Bang Theory 7.30 How I Met Your Mother 8.00 The Tomorrow People 9.00 Film: Black Knight (2001) 11.00 The Big Bang Theory 11.55 The Inbetweeners 1.00 How I Met Your Mother 2.00 The Ricky Gervais Show 3.00 The Cleveland Show 3.45 Glee 4.30 Ugly Betty
Film4
1.00 Meet Dave (2008) 2.55 Star Trek: The Motion Picture (1979) 5.40 The Curious Case of Benjamin Button (2008) 8.50 Grace of Monaco Interview Special 9.00 Priest (2011) 10.45 Sorority Row (2009) 12.40 Weekender (2011) 2.25 Iris (2006) 4.00 Close

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CHOICE



Dermot O'Leary

Soccer Aid 2014 (ITV, 6pm)

Dermot O'Leary presents the pre-match build-up and the big game in aid of Unicef, which sees footballing heroes team up with celebrities for an England v Rest of the World match live from Old Trafford (Kick-off 8.00pm). Robbie Williams captains the England team, managed by Sam Allardyce and featuring former professionals such as David Seaman, Teddy Sheringham and Jamie Redknapp, plus stars including Jack Whitehall and Ollie Murs. Jose Mourinho manages the opposing side, which calls upon the talents of Alessandro Del Piero, Andriy Shevchenko and other pros, lining up with captain Michael Sheen and a squad featuring Gordon Ramsay and James McAvoy. Kirsty Gallacher is pitchside with the players.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** Pentecost 2014. **11.00** Sunday Politics. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.15** Countryfile. (R) **2.15** Best of Homes Under the Hammer. (R) **2.40** Top It! (R) **3.20** Escape to the Country. (R) **4.10** Points of View. **4.25** Songs of Praise. **5.00** Countryfile.

6.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

6.20 Live Formula 1: Canadian Grand Prix. Coverage of the seventh round of the season, staged at the Circuit Gilles Villeneuve, Montreal (Start-time 7.00pm). Michael Schumacher has won this race on seven occasions, with Lewis Hamilton the most successful of the current drivers, and the Mercedes man will be heavily fancied to win here for the fourth time and continue his title charge. Presented by Suzi Perry, with commentary by Ben Edwards and David Coulthard.

9.00 Quirke. As his family life unravels, and grief and drink begin to take their toll, the pathologist is more than receptive to a request from his daughter Phoebe, who asks for his help in the search for her missing friend April, who hasn't been seen in more than a week. He begins to fear she has come to harm when he discovers blood in her flat, but when he tells her well-connected family, the Latimers, their response is not what he was expecting and they close ranks. Quirke pursues his enquiries and finds himself in a world where race and class are the determining factors. Last in the series.

10.30 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

10.55 Kris: Dying to Live. Documentary following Kris Hallengren, who was diagnosed with terminal breast cancer at the age of 23, as she battles her illness and promotes her charity Coppafeel!

11.55 Film: Taken in Broad Daylight. (2009) A teenage girl who is kidnapped and held hostage for six days. However, far from cracking up during her traumatic experience, she keeps her wits about her, manipulating her captor and leaving subtle clues for the police to ensure rescue as the abductor moves her across state lines. Fact-based thriller, with Sara Canning, James Van Der Beek, LeVar Burton and Diana Reis.

1.15 Weatherview. **1.20** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 Film: Desert Passage. (1952) **7.00 Film: Wagon Train.** (1940) **8.00** Gardeners' World. (R) **8.30** The Beechgrove Garden. **9.00** World Cup Films. **10.30** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **12.00** Great British Menu. (R) **1.00** Great British Menu. (R) **2.00** Great British Menu. (R) **3.00** Live Challenge Cup Rugby League. Bradford Bulls v Warrington Wolves (Kick-off 3.30pm). **5.30** Inspire: The Olympic Journey. Gabby Logan spends a day with England hockey captain Kate Richardson-Walsh.

6.00 Ice Age Giants. Alice Roberts examines the latest discoveries from the northern hemisphere to shed light on the lives and habitats of the creatures that dominated the planet 40,000 years ago. She begins by heading to North America, which was home to a diverse group of giant mammals, and discovers how the sabre-toothed cat's out-sized teeth were vital for hunting, yet easily broken. Alice looks at evidence of the bear-sized Shasta ground sloth in a cave in the Grand Canyon, and learns about the strange armadillo-like glyptodont – which was the size of a small car. (R)

7.00 Tropic of Cancer. Leg three of Simon Reeve's journey takes him from the banks of the Nile in Egypt to the edge of the Indian Ocean in Oman, introducing him to nomadic Bedouins displaced by drought. (R)

8.00 I Bought a Rainforest. Charlie Hamilton James's wife Philippa Forrester flies out to raise his spirits, and the cameraman joins two locals on a four-day mission to illegally fell a giant hardwood tree.

9.00 Wildfires 2014: Inside the Inferno. Part one of two. Kate Humble and Simon Reeve travel to Australia to discover how the New South Wales Rural Fire Service contends with as many as 100 fires a day.

10.00 QI XL. Extended edition. Jo Brand, Graham Linehan and Jimmy Carr join regular panellist Alan Davies as host Stephen Fry asks a range of unusual questions on the topic of knowledge. (R)

10.45 Film: Adventureland. (2009) A college graduate falls in love while spending a summer working at a ramshackle amusement park in the 1980s. Comedy, with Jesse Eisenberg.

12.25 Sign Zone. Countryfile. (R) **1.20** Holby City. (R) **2.20** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Fort Boyard Ultimate Challenge. **6.25** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.35** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.50** Canimals. (R) **7.00** Canimals. (R) **7.05** Sooty. (R) **7.20** Digimon Fusion. (R) **7.45** Horrid Henry. (R) **8.00** Deadline Stories. (R) **8.25** ITV News. **8.30** Weekend. **9.25** May the Best House Win. (R) **10.25** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **11.20** ITV News; Weather.

11.30 Love Your Garden. (R) **12.30** Foot Britannia. Hidden-camera pranks, with Dom Joly. (R) **1.00** Let Me Entertain You. Viewers' videos for Taylor Swift and Rizzle Kicks hits, Cher impersonators and a musical showdown between wedding guests and chicken-shop workers. Last in the series. (R) **1.30** Live French Open Tennis. The men's singles final. Coverage of the conclusion of the second Grand Slam tournament of the season, staged at Roland Garros in Paris. Last year's final was a relatively tame affair, as Rafael Nadal won an eighth title by beating Spanish compatriot David Ferrer 6-3, 6-2, 6-3, having been pushed all the way by Novak Djokovic in his epic semi-final. Presented by John Inverdale, with commentary by Nick Mullins, reports by Celine Hinchcliffe and analysis by Jim Courier, Mark Petchey and Fabrice Santoro. Subsequent programmes subject to change. Coverage continues on ITV4. **5.45** Regional Programme; Weather. **5.50** ITV News; Weather.

6.00 Soccer Aid 2014. Robbie Williams and Michael Sheen captain the pro-celebrity teams for the charity football match, live from Old Trafford, as England take on the Rest of the World (Kick-off 8.00pm).

10.00 ITV News; Weather.

10.20 Film: Atonement. (2007) In 1935, 13-year-old Briony Tallis discovers the burgeoning relationship between her older sister Cecilia and Robbie Turner, a servant's son whom she has a crush on herself. The teenager becomes increasingly jealous of the pair and spitefully accuses him of a crime he did not commit, unaware her actions will have tragic repercussions. Joe Wright's romantic period drama, based on Ian McEwan's novel, starring Keira Knightley, James McAvoy, Brenda Blethyn, Saoirse Ronan and Romola Garai.

12.40 The Store. Home shopping. **2.40** Motorsport UK. Highlights from Donington Park. **3.30** ITV Nightscreen. Text-based information service. **4.15** May the Best House Win. (R) **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show.

CHANNEL 4

6.15 The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** Transylvania. **7.05** British GT. **7.30** How I Met Your Mother. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.00** Frasier. (R) **9.30** Sunday Brunch. **12.30** Secret Eaters. (R) **1.35** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **2.05** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **2.35** The Simpsons. (R) **3.05** Film: Beaches. (1988) Drama, starring Bette Midler and Barbara Hershey. **5.35** Deal or No Deal.

6.30 Channel 4 News.

7.00 Four Rooms. The dealers battle it out over a Cold War code-breaking machine, some one-off photos of rock star Pete Doherty's house and a sci-fi sculpture. Can they also be coaxed into splashing out on a tantric figure and a rare Russian nude painting? Meeting each potential buyer in a separate room, the sellers must judge when to part with their valuable items and when to reject an offer. Presented by Anita Rani.

8.00 Born in the Wild. New series. Veterinary surgeon Mark Evans and comparative anatomist Joy Reidenberg explore the world of animal reproduction, looking at how different species find and attract a mate, give birth and raise their young in hostile habitats. In South Africa, Mark investigates how male elephants find females in vast home ranges, while in the Okavango Delta in Botswana, Joy sets up night-vision cameras for a rare look at the birth of a calf. The programme also reveals why these animals have the longest pregnancy of any mammal and how quickly a newborn takes its first steps.

9.00 Fargo. Molly faces increasing pressure to close the case, while Lester starts to feel like a new man. Continuing the American drama inspired by the Coen brothers' hit film, starring Billy Bob Thornton, Martin Freeman, Colin Hanks and Allison Tolman.

10.05 Film: The Debt. (2010) Premiere. Former Mossad agents find the secrets behind their killing of a Nazi war criminal 30 years ago coming back to haunt them. Thriller, with Helen Mirren and Tom Wilkinson.

12.20 Film: The Conspirator. Premiere. Period drama, starring James McAvoy. (2010) **2.20** Utopia. (R) **3.15** Obsessive Compulsive Cleaners. (R) **4.15** Hugh's 3 Good Things. (R) **4.40** Kirstie's Vintage Gems. (R) **4.50** Building the Dream. (R) **5.45** Deal or No Deal. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fifi and the Flowerpots. (R) **6.25** Bubble Guppies. (R) **6.35** The Mr Men Show. (R) **6.50** Chloe's Closet. **7.00** Roobarb and Custard Too. **7.10** Bananas in Pyjamas. (R) **7.20** Make Way for Noddy. (R) **7.30** Milkshake! Pop Box. (R) **7.35** City of Friends. (R) **7.50** Milkshake! Monkey. (R) **7.55** Little Princess. (R) **8.05** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.20** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **8.40** Rupert Bear. (R) **8.55** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.10** Jelly Jamm. (R) **9.30** LazyTown. (R) **10.35** Access. **10.40** Big Brother: Power Trip. (R) **11.40** Film: Teen Wolf. (1985) Comedy, starring Michael J Fox.

1.20 Film: The Money Pit. (1986) Comedy, starring Tom Hanks and Shelley Long. **3.05** Film: Ghostbusters. (1984) Supernatural comedy, starring Bill Murray. **5.10** Film: Mannequin. (1987) Fantasy comedy, starring Andrew McCarthy.

6.55 Film: Dirty Dancing. (1987) A dance instructor at a 1960s resort hotel fears his career will be jeopardised when his regular partner is forced to pull out of an important show in which they are due to perform. Luckily, a naive teenager is happy to step in, and is treated to a whirlwind holiday education in life, love and expressing herself. Romantic drama, starring Patrick Swayze, Jennifer Grey and Jerry Orbach. Part of Channel 5's 80's Movie Marathon.

8.55 5 News Weekend.

9.00 Big Brother: Power Trip. Daily round-up of highlights, revealing how the housemates are getting on under the all-seeing eye of Big Brother, featuring the latest tasks, games, arguments, laughs, diary room visits and bedroom chit-chat. Narrated by Marcus Bentley.

10.00 The Greatest 80s Movies. Ronni Ancora narrates a countdown of viewers' favourite films from the decade, including ET, Top Gun, The Goonies, Ghostbusters, Beverly Hills Cop and Ferris Bueller's Day Off. Part of Channel 5's 80's Movie Marathon.

1.00 SuperCasino. Live interactive gaming. **3.10** Classic Car Rescue. (R) **4.00** House Doctor. (R) **4.25** Make It Big. (R) **4.50** The Funky Valley Show. (R) **5.00** Angels of Jarm. (R) **5.10** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **5.20** Angels of Jarm. (R) **5.30** The Funky Valley Show. (R) **5.40** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 Don't Tell the Bride **9.00** Russell Howard's Good News **10.00** In the Flesh **10.55** Family Guy **11.40** American Dad! **12.05** Formula 1: Canadian Grand Prix Highlights **1.05** In the Flesh **2.00** Tiger Takes on Love **2.55** In the Flesh **3.50** Close

BBC Four
7.00 Decisive Weapons **7.30** The Science of D-Day **8.00** We Fought on D-Day **8.50** Deer in the City **9.00** Norman Wisdom: His Story **10.00** The Sky at Night **10.30** The Horizon Guide to Mars **11.30** You've Got a Friend: The Carole King Story **12.30** Singer-Songwriters at the BBC **1.30** Norman Wisdom: His Story **2.30** Decisive Weapons **3.00** The Science of D-Day **3.30** Close

ITV2
12.50 America's Got Talent **2.30** Britain's Got Talent: Live Final **5.05** Britain's Got More Talent **6.10** Film: Zookeeper (2011) **8.10** Film: Year One (2009) **10.00** Viral Tap **10.45** Film: Red Dragon (2002) **1.15** Viral Tap **1.55** 100% You've Been Framed! **2.45** Teleshopping

ITV3
11.55 Lewis **2.00** Midsomer Murders **12.05** Film: In the Name of the Father (1993) **2.25** William and Mary **3.20** Judge Judy **3.40** Emmerdale

ITV4
11.15 Live British Touring Car Championship. Round four from Oulton Park. **5.40** Live French Open Tennis. Continued coverage of the day's play at Roland Garros. **8.00** Film: Police Academy 3: Back in Training (1986) **9.50** Movies Now **10.00** Film: Age of Heroes (2011) **11.55** Film: The Black Windmill (1974) **2.05** Tommy Cooper **2.40** Movies Now **2.50** ITV4 Nightscreen **3.00** Teleshopping **3.30** The Store

E4
12.30 Youngers **1.00** Made in Chelsea **2.05** Revenge **3.00** The Big Bang Theory **4.00** The Tomorrow People **5.00** Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D. **6.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **6.30** The Big Bang Theory **7.00** Troy **8.00** Film: Journey to the Center of the Earth (2008) **10.00** The Inbetweeners **11.00** The Big Bang Theory **12.00** Troy **1.00** Rules of Engagement **2.00** 2 Drake Girls **2.25** Drifters **3.20** Hollyoaks

Film4
11.00 Hills of Home (1948) **1.00** Big Business (1988) **2.55** Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan (1982) **5.05** King Solomon's Mines (1985) **7.00** Drillbit Taylor (2008) **8.00** Double Jeopardy (1999) **11.05** Sixteen Candles (1985) **12.55** Once Upon a Time in Anatolia (2011) **4.00** Close

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Film Choices

MONDAY

Mystery Woman: Vision of a Murder, Channel 5, 3.15pm
Bookshop owner Samantha Kinsey turns detective once more when she visits a health spa on business. One of the staff, a supposed psychic, has a vision of a woman's murder and leads Samantha to a body in the woodlands, which seems to confirm her premonition – but also puts her in the frame for the crime. Whodunit, directed by and starring Kellie Martin. (2005)

TUESDAY

First Blood, ITV, 10.35pm
Vietnam veteran John Rambo is wrongfully arrested in a backwoods town and tested to the limits of his endurance by a brutal deputy. Rambo escapes from his cell and heads out to the woods, and with the forces of the law in hot pursuit he finally has the chance to fight them on his own terms. Action thriller, starring Sylvester Stallone, Brian Dennehy and Richard Crenna. (1982)

WEDNESDAY

Jane Doe: Vanishing Act, Channel 5, 3.15pm
The former government agent is called back into service to investigate how a computer specialist working for a government contractor managed to disappear from a plane in mid-flight, taking communication satellite software and vital defence secrets with him. Mystery, starring Lea Thompson and William R Moses. (2005)



First Blood, Tuesday, ITV, 10.35pm

THURSDAY

McBride: Requiem, Channel 5, 3.20pm
The crusading lawyer gets involved in the case of a murdered violin prodigy. The dead musician's father is convinced her fiancé was responsible, but McBride comes to his defence, and discovers the victim had a number of rivals who had the motive to kill her. Mystery, starring John Larroquette and Matt Lutz. (2006)

FRIDAY

Mystery Woman: Snapshot, Channel 5, 3.15pm
Sleuthing bookshop-owner Samantha Kinsey investigates the suspicious death of a friend. The victim had earlier complained that her greedy relatives were trying to cut her out of her brother's will and the family business, and Samantha's inquiries unearth family secrets dating back to the Second World War. Mystery, starring Kellie Martin and Clarence Williams III. (2005)

Twelve Monkeys

BBC2, 11.05pm
A time traveller from 2035 journeys back to the 1990s to discover the cause of a deadly disease that ravaged the world, only to be thrown into an asylum. But the longer he spends in the past, the more he comes to question whether he really is from the future or simply delusional. Terry Gilliam's sci-fi thriller, with Bruce Willis. (1995)

Pick of the Week

Robbie hopes to fine tune his team for victory

Everyone's gone football crazy, they're football mad – and if you've managed to escape the sport so far, brace yourself, because you're going to run into it very soon indeed.

That's because for the next month or so, both the BBC and ITV will be broadcasting the World Cup from Brazil, the sport's biggest and most prestigious competition.

And although British hopes rest on an unfancied England side, you can bet your bottom dollar that the nation will still be gripped to the screen, whether Roy Hodgson's men escape the group of death and make it to the knockout stages or not.

Perhaps the men in white will do better in this competition, which has been taking place every two years since 2006.

It's the brainchild of Unicef ambassador Robbie Williams, and while he might not be everybody's favourite performer, you've got to admit this is a cracking idea, one which has raised lots of money for the charity while entertaining millions across the globe.

The idea is simple: an all-star England team made up of 12 celebrities and six legendary ex-professionals (one of which must be a goalkeeper) take on a Rest of the World XI.

Both teams are coached by well-known managers, with West Ham United boss Sam Allardyce taking charge of England this time, and Chelsea's Jose Mourinho leading the Rest of the World.

"Thanks to UNICEF for asking me to manage the Rest of the World at Soccer Aid on Sunday June 8 at Old Trafford," said Mourinho when his participation was announced.

"I'm looking forward to beating Robbie Williams' and Big Sam's England team and raising money for UNICEF."

England are leading in the head-to-head so far, having been beaten just once, in 2010, on penalties.

That match raised almost £3million, while last year's raised a record £4.9million – which is pretty good going in austerity Britain. But can the figure be beaten this time around? The fact that the UK Government will

be matching the donations made by the public should certainly help.

We'll have to wait and see...

Now 40, Robbie has hung up his boots and is acting as assistant manager this time around.

"Soccer Aid returns for the fifth time in June and I admit there are scores to settle," says the Robster.

"Leading the England team, I will be making sure we defend that trophy against Rest of the World. There's never been a better time for us to show our support for UNICEF."

The great joy in watching the match, which takes place at Old Trafford, is seeing unlikely team-mates together on the pitch. Where else would Stephen Moyer, John Bishop, Mark Owen and Dominic Cooper rub shoulders with Des Walker, Matt Le Tissier and Teddy Sheringham? And that's just England! The Rest of the World features an amazing line-up, including Michael Sheen, James McAvoy, Gordon Ramsay, Jeremy Renner, Alessandro Del Piero, Edgar Davids, Jaap Stam and Andriy Shevchenko.



This year's pro-celebrity football match, Soccer Aid 2014, Sunday, ITV, 6pm

Best of the Rest

MONDAY

Gail & Me: 40 Years on Coronation Street ITV, 8pm

Has anyone in Coronation Street ever been as unlucky as Gail Potter-Tilsley-Platt-Hillman-McIntyre? She's been married five times (twice to Brian Tilsley) and widowed three times – only Martin Platt made it out alive. But she hasn't always been the downtrodden, long-suffering character we've come to know and exasperatedly shout advice at. As this documentary points out, Helen Worth was originally recruited back in 1974 to bring a little glamour and youthful energy to the cobbles. And if life on the Street has ground Gail down in the interim, that's hardly surprising, as we look back on some of her most dramatic storylines, including discovering her 13-year-old daughter was pregnant, and marrying the man she would later dub 'Norman Bates with a briefcase', serial killer Richard Hillman.

David Beckham into the Unknown BBC1, 8.30pm

The trendsetting style icon – and recently retired footballer – embarks on an Amazon adventure, mainly on motorbike, accompanied by three of his closest friends: photographer and video director Anthony Mandler, biker expert Derek White, and Dave Gardner, his manager and boyhood buddy. Before flying to Manaus, the starting point of the journey through the rainforest, Beckham enjoys a game of beach foot-volleyball with locals from Rio's Vidigal favela, but things look set to hot up when almost 800 miles of boat and bike travel brings them to a remote jungle territory, home of the Yanonami tribe.

TUESDAY

Lineker in Brazil: The Beautiful Game BBC1, 10.35pm

Gary Lineker presents this documentary examining the fascination with Brazilian football, featuring archive footage, interviews and profiles of some of the country's leading players. The World Cup's leading scorer, Ronaldo, gives an insight into the pleasure and pain of playing for his nation, while there is a look at Pele's role in cementing Brazil and Brazilian football firmly in the hearts and minds of the world. Michael Palin discusses the country's appeal and there are contributions from Rio Ferdinand, John Barnes and Michael Owen, and Brazilian model and TV host Fernanda Lima explores the roots and romance of Brazil and the Beautiful Game.

WEDNESDAY

All Star Mr & Mrs ITV, 8pm

This time around, the likes of Nigel Havers, Kian Egan, Paul Ince and Johnny Vegas are set to feature with their other halves, but the mouth-watering prospect of seeing them in action will have to wait. Opening the series will be The Hoff himself, actor and all-round media love god David Hasselhoff, who's joined by his partner Hayley Roberts, TV presenter Amanda Lamb and her cameraman husband Sean McGuinness, and singer Brian McFadden and his reality star

wife Vogue Williams. Phillip Schofield (isn't it time he took part in the show himself alongside his other half Steph?) poses the questions.

Football Hooligan & Proud Channel 5, 9pm

English supporters will be under close scrutiny during the World Cup – here's hoping the guys appearing in this documentary haven't got plane tickets to Brazil. Among them is Lee, a 37-year-old die-hard Rochdale fan who has just started his third soccer ban. "At the age of 13, I started to want to fight. I love fear," he says. Jay supports Bristol City, but because the police have stifled trouble at matches, he's joined Casuals United, a group of fans from clubs across the country who search out trouble at marches and demos. Finally there's Jason Marriner, a mainstay of the Chelsea Headhunters who is serving an eight-year ban from matches and is using his free time to write his second book about football hooliganism.

THURSDAY FIFA World Cup Live 2014

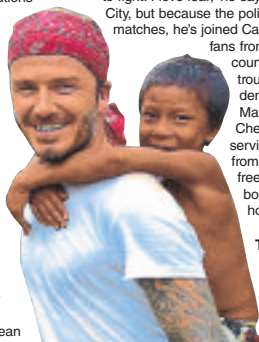
ITV, 7pm
Brazil v Croatia (Kick-off 9.00pm). The 20th staging of the World Cup gets

under way this evening at the Arena de Sao Paulo, where the host nation begin their Group A campaign. This is the second time Brazil has hosted the tournament, with the last occasion in 1950 finishing with them as runners-up to Uruguay, and the feast of global football has remarkably not been held on South American soil since Argentina's controversial home victory of 1978. Brazil are always expected to be involved in the latter stages and have the honour of being the only nation to play in every World Cup finals, but the pressure on the Samba Boys is higher than ever this year, with nothing less than victory being acceptable to their adoring, yet hard-to-please fans. Several Premier League-based players are expected to be involved tonight, with the starting XI for the hosts looking to add their names to an illustrious list of World Cup heroes that includes the likes of Pele, Garrincha, Jairzinho, Zico and Ronaldo. They begin against a Croatian side that needed a play-off against Iceland to qualify after finishing behind Belgium in their group.

FRIDAY

The Bat Man of Mexico: Natural World BBC2, 9pm

Since he first kept vampire bats in his bathroom as a child, Mexican biologist and ecologist Rodrigo Medellin has dedicated his life to saving all species of the flying mammal. In this film, David Attenborough narrates his quest to save the endangered lesser long-nosed bat, which is crucial to the production of tequila as it pollinates the plants the drink is made from. Medellin tracks the bats' epic migration across Mexico – braving hurricanes, snakes, Mayan tombs and seas of cockroaches.



David Beckham into the Unknown, Monday, BBC1, 8.30pm



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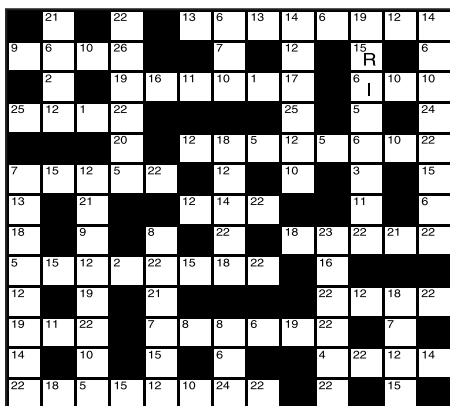


Brain Gym

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Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
T	K	D	C	R	Y	E	N	L	Q	J	X	V
G	H	B	Z	I	M	W	O	A	P	F	S	U

Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

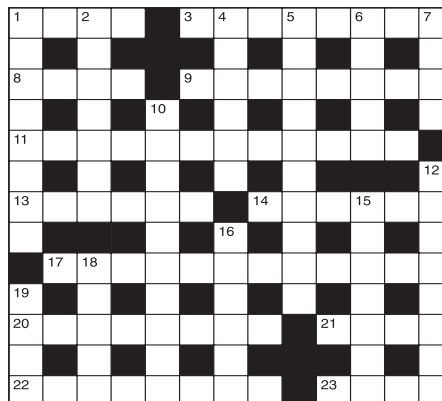
Cryptic Clues:

Across

- Endless ignominy is feigned (4)
- Insubstantial characters in various respects (8)
- Incorporated by a departed civilisation (4)
- Became a soldier and established a connection (6,2)
- 20 Ac. & 16Dn. Using a lubricant to smooth out the rollers (7,3,2,8,6)
- Undoubtedly a word of preference (6)
- The French fever for a confederacy (6)
- This shows the entertaining results of projection (6,6)
- See 11 Across
- 21 & 23Ac. Without precipitation (8)
- I'd returned to emphasise the suffering (8)
- See 21 Across

Down

- Captains cured fish in the ship (8)
- It needs a hundred to add up the bill (7)
- A share that's indispensable to the farmer (6)
- Secret communication will indicate self-reliance (10)
- Took the horse to the ring for cowboy exhibition (5)
- Drains the energy from simpletons (4)
- Society will keep him until he dies! (4,6)
- Sign name to show one's intentions (8)
- Dreadfully enraged by the projectile (7)
- See 11 Across
- Clubs in which mutinous sailors used to be found (5)
- Sanctum nearly finished for the boss (4)



Quick Clues:

Across

- Barrel (4)
- Ironmongery (8)
- Slender (4)
- Dissipated (8)
- Memorable date (3-6-3)
- Talented (6)
- Start (6)
- Cinema (7-5)
- Submissive (8)
- Otherwise (4)
- Fragment (8)
- Hero (4)

Down

- Waterfall (8)
- Cheat (7)
- Fly (6)
- Distracted (10)
- Boxing ring (5)
- Consumes (4)
- Walker (10)
- Airy (8)
- Mean (7)
- Fruit (6)
- Perfect (5)
- Pitch (4)

Sudoku

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Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

4	6	2	9	1	5	3	8	7
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LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Midnight oil; 9 Obscure; 10 Match; 11 Enter; 12 Crooner; 13 Occult; 15 Adhere; 18 Impulse; 20 Erica; 22 Heard; 23 Castled; 24 Intemperate. Down: 2 Inset; 3 Neutral; 4 Greece; 5 Tempo; 6 Intense; 7 Come to light; 8 Charge hands; 14 Captain; 16 Dresser; 17 Teacup; 19 Ledge; 21 Inlet. QUICK - Across: 1 Destructive; 9 Aviator; 10 Alone; 11 Regal; 12 Attract; 22 Abjure; 15 Effect; 18 Expiate; 20 Cruel; 22 Alter; 23 Edifice; 24 Orderliness. Down: 2 Eying; 3 Titular; 4 Unreal; 5 Tract; 6 Violate; 7 Carriage; 8 Teetotaler; 14 Jupiter; 16 Faction; 17 Repeal; 19 Nurse; 21 Units.

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- Ground Floor Bathroom
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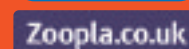
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**KEWSTOKE ROAD
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- Extended Detached Property
- Prime Location
- Hall with Guests WC
- 4 Bedrooms
- Spacious Lounge
- Dining Room
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating System
- Garage
- Driveway
- Large Corner Plot Gardens

£185,000

NEW **MANAGER'S CHOICE** **EPC TBC**



**ALTON AVENUE
WILLENHALL**

- Extended Traditional Semi Detached
- Through Lounge / Dining Room
- Large Extended Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- Rear gardens
- Garage
- Driveway
- No chain

£139,950

NEW **BRAND NEW DEVELOPMENT** **EPC TBC**



**MILL LANE
WILLENHALL**

- Newly built terraced properties
- Hall with guest wc
- Lounge
- Superb dining kitchen
- Two Bedrooms
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- Double glazing
- Gas central heating
- Bathroom
- Driveway
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<p>NO CHAIN EPC D</p>  <p>FIVEFIELDS ROAD WILLENHALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Superb Traditional Detached ● Lounge ● Dining Room ● Large Kitchen ● Utility ● Four Bedrooms ● Bathroom ● Gas Central Heating ● Garage ● Large Driveway ● No Upward Chain ● Extensive Rear Garden <p>£315,000</p>	<p>NO CHAIN EPC D</p>  <p>NIGHTINGALE CRESCENT COPPIC FARM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Modern Detached Property ● Prime location ● Lounge ● Dining room ● Kitchen ● Utility with wc ● Four Bedrooms ● En-suite ● Refitted Bathroom ● Double Glazing ● Gas CH ● Rear Garden ● Garage <p>£228,000</p>	<p>EPC C</p>  <p>CADNAM CLOSE WILLENHALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Superb Modern Style Detached ● Spacious Lounge ● Impressive Dining Kitchen ● Conservatory ● Double Glazing ● Gas CH ● Three Bedrooms ● Re-Fitted Bathroom ● Large Gardens ● Garage & Driveway ● Rear Gardens <p>£160,000</p>	<p>NEW EPC E</p>  <p>JAMES STREET THE MANOR, WILLENHALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Spacious 1830's Semi Detached ● Prominent Corner Plot Position ● Three Bedrooms ● Lounge ● Dining Room ● Kitchen ● Utility ● Bathroom ● Large Gardens ● Garage & Driveway ● No chain <p>£155,000</p>	<p>NEW EPC E</p>  <p>CADNAM CLOSE WILLENHALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Modern Detached Property ● Lounge ● Dining Room ● Re-Fitted Kitchen ● Three Bedrooms ● Bathroom ● Double Glazing ● Gas Central Heating ● Garage & Driveway ● Rear Gardens <p>£139,950</p>	<p>REDUCED EPC D</p>  <p>LYNWOOD CLOSE SHORT HEATH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Modern Style Link Detached ● Off Grub Lane ● No Chain ● Three Bedrooms ● Bathroom ● Hall ● Large Lounge ● Kitchen ● Gas Central Heating System ● Majority Double Glazing ● Car Port ● Driveway ● Rear Gardens ● Popular cul de sac location <p>£129,950</p>	<p>NO CHAIN EPC D</p>  <p>OVERDALE DRIVE WILLENHALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Modern semi detached property ● Popular location ● Spacious lounge ● Kitchen ● Dining room ● Three bedrooms ● Bathroom ● Double glazing ● Garage and driveway ● Front and rear gardens ● No chain <p>£125,000</p>	<p>NEW EPC C</p>  <p>YALE ROAD WILLENHALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Modern Mid Town House ● Hall with Guests WC ● Lounge ● Improved Dining Kitchen ● Two Bedrooms ● Bathroom ● Double Glazing ● Gas Central Heating ● Parking Space ● Gardens ● No Chain <p>£121,950</p>
<p>NEW EPC TBC</p>  <p>LICHFIELD ROAD SHORT HEATH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Extended Semi Detached ● Hall ● Lounge ● Kitchen ● Ground Floor Bedroom ● Two First Floor Bedrooms ● Bathroom ● Large Gardens ● No Chain <p>£120,000</p>	<p>REDUCED EPC E</p>  <p>DURHAM AVENUE WILLENHALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Traditional Semi Detached ● No Chain ● Lounge ● Dining Room ● Kitchen ● Three Bedrooms ● Bathroom ● Double Glazing ● Driveway ● Pleasant Rear Gardens <p>£117,500</p>	<p>REDUCED EPC F</p>  <p>NEVIS GROVE COPPIC FARM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Modern Semi Detached ● Cul De Sac Location ● No Chain ● Spacious Lounge ● Dining Kitchen ● Two Double Bedrooms ● Bathroom ● Double Glazing ● Driveway ● Rear Garden <p>OFFERS OVER £115,000</p>	<p>NEW EPC C</p>  <p>SQUIRES GROVE NEW INVENTION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Minimum of 40% shared ownership available ● Well presented second floor flat ● Two bedrooms ● Large lounge with dining area ● Fitted kitchen ● En-suite ● Bathroom ● Double glazing ● Allocated parking space ● No chain <p>£95,000 FOR 100% OWNERSHIP</p>	<p>NEW EPC TBC</p>  <p>FISHER STREET WILLENHALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Well presented period end terrace ● Lounge ● Dining room ● Refitted kitchen ● Refitted shower room ● Double glazing ● Gas central heating ● Rear garden ● Viewing recommended <p>£95,000</p>	<p>NEW EPC D</p>  <p>MAGNESS CRESCENT WILLENHALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pleasantly appointed semi ● Three bedrooms ● Hall / Sitting Room ● Spacious Loungedining room ● Refitted Kitchen ● Bathroom ● Block paved driveway ● Pleasant rear garden ● No Chain <p>AUCTION STARTING PRICE £80,000</p>	<p>NEW EPC TBC</p>  <p>WOLVERSON CLOSE WILLENHALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ground Floor Flat ● Much Improved ● Large Lounge ● Re-Fitted Kitchen ● Two Double Bedrooms ● Re-Fitted Bathroom ● Double Glazing ● Gas Central Heating ● No Chain <p>£67,000</p>	<p>REDUCED EPC F</p>  <p>RICHARDS STREET DARLSTON</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Period semi detached property ● Lounge and dining room ● Refitted kitchen ● Ground floor wc ● Two double bedrooms ● Bathroom ● Double glazing ● Gas CH ● Large rear garden ● No chain <p>£59,950</p>

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NEW £550 pcm



Wyre Close

- A refurbished 3 bed end townhouse
- 1 spacious reception room
- Brand new fitted kitchen / diner with cooker
- Upstairs family bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- Parking EPC rating C

NEW £500 pcm



Addenbrooke Street

- A well presented 3 bed semi detached property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Downstairs bathroom with shower over the bath
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted EPC rating D

NEW £500 pcm



Windrush Close

- A modern 2 bed 1st floor apartment
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Stylish family bathroom with shower
- Double Glazing throughout
- Allocated parking space

NEW £495 pcm



Abbey Square

- A redecorated 3 bed mid terrace property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Upstairs family bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted EPC rating C

NEW £460 pcm



Pleck Road

- A redecorated 2 bed end terrace property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Upstairs family bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted EPC rating E

NEW £430 pcm



Scarborough Ropad

- A well presented 2 bed mid terrace property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Upstairs bathroom with bath and shower cubicle
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted EPC rating E

NEW £350 pcm



Bloxwich Road

- A 1 bed 1st floor apartment
- 1 spacious reception room
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Pleasant family bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- EPC rating D

NEW £260 pcm



Bloxwich Road

- A 1st floor studio apartment
- Open planned living and kitchen area
- Modern fitted kitchen
- Pleasant family bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- EPC rating D

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Bloxwich Road

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- 1 spacious reception room
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- 4 bathrooms all with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS considered EPC rating E

£695 pcm



Vinvent Street

- A well presented 4 bed detached bungalow
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- 2 family bathroom 1 with a shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- Enclosed rear garden


£550 pcm



Broadstone Avenue

- A fully re-furnished 2 bed apartment
- 1 spacious reception room
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Pleasant bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- Ground floor


£525 pcm



Greadier Street

- A well presented 3 bed semi detached property
- 1 spacious through lounge
- Fitted kitchen with side utility area
- New upstairs bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating throughout
- Driveway, Guest WC, DSS accepted

£450 pcm



Darlaston Road

- A traditional 3 bed end terrace property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Downstairs bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

£450 pcm



Farrington Street

- A traditional 3 bed end terrace property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Downstairs family bathroom
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- Rear garden DSS accepted

£450 pcm



Lord Street, Palfrey

- A re-decorated 2 double bed end terrace
- 2 Spacious reception rooms
- A modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Upstairs family bathroom with shower
- Gas central heating and Double glazing
- DSS accepted EPC rating E

£425 pcm



Stroud Avenue

- A choice of three 2 bed apartments
- 1 spacious reception room
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Pleasant bathroom with separate WC
- Double Glazing throughout
- Viewing essential EPC rating F

£425 pcm



Whitehall Road

- A traditional 4 bed end terrace property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Downstairs family bathroom
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

£350 pcm



The Shambles

- A recently re-furnished 1 bed apartment
- 1 spacious reception room
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Pleasant bathroom with shower cubicle
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted EPC rating C


£350 pcm



Prince Street

- A well presented 2 bed mid terrace property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Fitted kitchen
- Downstairs bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating throughout
- DSS accepted

£350 pcm



Bradford Street

- A refurbished studio apartment
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Modern bathroom with shower
- Gas central heating and Double glazing
- Town centre location

£750 pcm

LET
Similar properties required




Mandeville Gardens

- A modern 4 bed detached property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen/diner with cooker
- Upstairs family bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- Driveway, Guest WC and rear garden

£650 pcm

LET
Similar properties required




Station Road

- A well presented 3 bed semi detached
- 1 spacious through lounge
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Upstairs bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- Driveway EPC rating D

£575 pcm

LET
Similar properties required



Glebe Street

- A modern 4 bed semi detached property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen
- Upstairs bathroom with shower
- Guest WC
- Driveway and integral Garage

£550 pcm

LET
Similar properties required



Follyhouse Lane

- A fully re-furnished 3 bed semi
- 1 spacious reception room
- New fitted kitchen/diner with cooker
- New upstairs bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- Rear garden and Driveway EPC rating E

£500 pcm

LET
Similar properties required




Bloxwich road

- A well presented 3 bed mid terrace
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Downstairs bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

£475 pcm

LET
Similar properties required



Weston Street

- A re-decorated 3 bed mid terrace
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Downstairs bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted EPC rating D

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NEW INSTRUCTION



COLTHAM RD, SHORT HEATH
Well Presented Three Bedroom Mid Terraced House. Comprises Of Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/ Diner, Ground Floor Bathroom And Three Bedrooms. Off Road Parking To The Front And Garden To The Rear.

£100,000

NEW INSTRUCTION



POPLAR AVE, BENTLEY
Three Bedroom End Town House. Comprises Of Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen/ Diner, W.C, Three Bedrooms And Shower Room. Double Glazing And Gas Central Heating. Front & Rear Gardens.

£105,000

NEW INSTRUCTION



BENTON CL, WILLENHALL
Extended Three Bedroom Town House. Comprising Of Entrance Hall, 27ft Modern Fitted Kitchen/Diner, 20ft Lounge, Study, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom And Separate W.C. Driveway Parking And Rear Garden.

£119,995

REDUCED



WOODSIDE WAY, SHORT HEATH
Extended Two Bedroom Semi Detached Property Comprising Of Entrance Hall, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen Diner, Two Bedrooms, Family Bathroom And Detached Garage, Part D/Glazing & C/ Heating.

£130,000

NEW INSTRUCTION



HAWKSWELL DR, W HALL
One Bedroom End Townhouse Located On Hadley Heath Estate Having Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Double Bedroom, Bathroom, UPVC D/Glazing, Off Road Parking And Enclosed Garden, Ideal First Time Buy! MUST VIEW.

£84,995



VICTORIA ST, WILLENHALL
Well Presented Two Bed Mid Terraced Property Having Two Reception Rooms, Fitted Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, IDEAL FIRST TIME BUY OR BUY TO LET!

£72,995



GIPSY LANE, WILLENHALL
Three Bed Mid Terraced Property Having Lounge, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Ground Floor Bathroom, C/Heating, D/Glazing, Close To Willenhall Town Centre Giving Access To Good Local Amenities, Schools and Transport Links. Great Investment Property.

£74,995

REDUCED



VICTORIA ST, WILLENHALL
Spacious Victorian Mid Terraced Property Having Lounge, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, First Floor Bathroom, UPVC D/Glazing, Gas C/Heating And Enclosed Rear Garden.

£83,500



STEPHENSON AVE, BEECHDALE
Well Presented Two Bed End Terrace Having Entrance Hall, Spacious Rear Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Dining Room, Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, C/ Heating, D/Glazing & Crete Print Driveway.

£79,995



SQUIRES GROVE, NEW INVENTION
Two Bedroom First Floor Apartment, Superbly Presented Accommodation Comprising Of Entrance Hall, Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Two Good Sized Bedrooms With En-Suite To Master And Family Bathroom.

£89,950



CHAUCER AVE, SHORT HEATH
Two Bed Mid Terraced Property Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Side Storage Area, Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, UPVC D/Glazing, C/ Heating And Enclosed Rear Garden.

£89,995

NEW INSTRUCTION



LISTER ST, WILLENHALL
Two Bedroom Ground Floor Apartment. Comprises Of Entrance Hall, Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Two Bedrooms And Bathroom. Also With Garage And Allocated Parking Space Behind A Gated Entrance.

£89,995



REDWOOD WAY, COPPICE FARM
Immaculately Presented One Bed Ground Floor Flat Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Double Bedroom, Modern Fitted Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Rear Garden And Driveway.

£89,995



POOLES LANE, SHORT HEATH
A Well Presented Three Bedroom End Of Terrace Having Front Reception Room, Rear Reception Room Being Open Plan Into Modern Fitted Kitchen, Ground Floor Family Bathroom, Three Bedrooms, First Floor Separate W.C, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Good Sized Rear Garden and No Upward Chain.

£89,995



BLOXWICH RD, LEAMORE
Spacious Two Bed Semi Having Entrance Porch, Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom With Separate Shower Cubicle, UPVC D/Glazing, C/Heating, Enclosed Rear Garden And Off Road Parking.

£95,000



BENTON CL, WILLENHALL
Well Presented Three Bedroom Mid Town House. Comprises Of 20ft Lounge/Diner, Fitted Kitchen, Cupboard, Three Bedrooms And Family Bathroom. Also Benefits From UPVC Double Glazing And Gas Central Heating.

£104,995



WYTHBOLD CLOSE, NEW INVENTION
Well Presented Three Bed End Town House Having Entrance Porch, Hallway, Ground Floor W.C, Fitted Kitchen/Diner, Lounge, Family Bathroom, UPVC D/Glazing, Majority C/Heating And Enclosed Rear Garden.

£104,995



WILLENHALL ST, DARLASTON
Modern Three Bed Semi-Detached Property Having Entrance Porch, Entrance Hall, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Lounge, Ground Floor W.C, Three Bedrooms, Modern Family Bathroom, C/Heating, D/Glazing & Allocated Parking.

£109,995



LIME AVE, BENTLEY
Three Bedroom Mid Terrace House Having Lounge, Dining Room Fitted Kitchen, Separate Utility Area, Three Bedrooms, Fitted Shower Room, Separate W.C, D/Glazing, C/ Heating, Off Road Parking And Rear Garden.

£109,995

REDUCED



THE CRESCENT, WILLENHALL
Modern Two Bed Semi Having Lounge With Open Plan Staircase, Kitchen Diner, Conservatory, Two Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Block Paved Driveway To The Fore Allowing Off Road Parking For Two Vehicles And A Private Enclosed Rear Garden.

£110,000



STUBBINGTON CL, PORTOBELLO
Spacious Two Bedroom Detached Bungalow. Comprises Of Entrance Hallway, Spacious Lounge, Sunroom, Fitted Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms Both With Fitted Wardrobes And Family Bathroom. Also Benefitting From UPVC Double Glazing, Gas Central Heating, Detached Garage And Driveway. Good Transport Links To Wolverhampton, Willenhall, Bliton & Walsall.

£129,995



SQUIRES GR, NEW INVENTION
Modern Two Bed End Town House Comprising Of Entrance Hallway, Ground Floor W.C, Fitted Kitchen, Spacious Lounge, Two Double Bedrooms Both With En-Suite, D/ Glazing, C/Heating And Separate Garage.

£130,000



LOMBARDY GDNS, SHORT HEATH
Superbly Presented Two Bedroom Semi Detached Property, Comprises Of Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen/ Diner, Two Bedrooms & Bathroom. Gardens To Both The Front And Rear. Detached Garage And Driveway.

£132,500



WILLOW GROVE, WILLENHALL
Three Storey Three Bed Town House Having Entrance Hallway, Ground Floor W.C, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Two Bedrooms To The First Floor, Family Bathroom, Master To The Second Floor With En-Suite, & Garage.

£134,950



RIDING WAY, SHORT HEATH
Semi Detached House Situated In Short Heath, Comprises Of Entrance Hall, Lounge With Separate Dining Area, Fitted Kitchen, Three Bedrooms And Shower Room, Also Having Driveway & Garage.

£134,950



SANDRINGHAM AVE, W HALL
Three Bed Semi Detached Property Having Entrance Porch, Entrance Hallway, Spacious Through Lounge/ Diner, Extended Kitchen, Refitted Family Bathroom, Hardwood D/ Glazing, C/Heating, Garage & Driveway.

£134,995



BASALT CLOSE, REEDSWOOD
Modern End Town House Comprising Of Fitted Kitchen, Lounge/Diner, Three Bedrooms, En-Suite, Fitted Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Front & Rear Gardens, Garage & Off Road Parking. Viewing Recommended!

£139,995



ALVINGTON CL, WILLENHALL
Four Bed Semi Having Entrance Porch, Hallway, Lounge, Kitchen/ Diner, General Conservatory, Playroom/Bedroom Four, Refitted Bathroom, UPVC D/Glazing, C/ Heating & Block Paved Driveway.

£140,000



RAVENSCROFT RD, WILLENHALL
Extended Semi Detached Adapted To Allow For Disabled Living, Comprising Of Lounge, Kitchen, Dining Room And Adjoining Wet Room, Three Good Sized Bedrooms And Family Bathroom, Also With Off Road Parking & Garage.

£142,500



LONGWOOD RISE, WILLENHALL
Immaculate Three Bed Detached Property Comprising Of Spacious Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Kitchen/ Diner With Integrated Oven And Hob, Conservatory, Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom With Jacuzzi Bath, Double Glazing, Gas Central Heating, Detached Garage And Block Paved Driveway.

£157,995



CASTLE DRIVE, WILLENHALL
Extended Four Bed Semi Having Porch, Hallway, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Lounge Opening Into A Generous Dining Area, Utility, Ground Floor W.C, Additional Sitting Room/Bedroom, Four, Three First Floor Bedrooms, Modern Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Crete Print Driveway.

£159,995



PRINCETHORPE RD, WILLENHALL
Superbly Presented Four Bedroom Town House Comprising Of Lounge, Ground Floor W.C, Sitting Room, Modern Kitchen/Diner, Four Bedrooms, En-suite Shower Room To Master Bed And Family Bathroom, MUST VIEW

£159,995



BIRCHTREE HOLLOW, WILLENHALL
Extended Five Bed Semi Detached Having Entrance Porch, Entrance Hall, Lounge Being Open Plan Into Dining Area, Fitted Kitchen, Separate Utility Room, Ground Floor W.C, Additional Sitting Room, Four/Five Bedrooms And Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/ Heating, Block Paved Driveway.

£169,995



W-TON RD WEST, BENTLEY
Well Presented Four Bed Semi Detached Property Having Lounge, Stylish Breakfast Kitchen, 'P' Shaped Conservatory, Three Bedrooms To The First Floor, Bathroom With Separate Steam Shower, Bedroom Four To The Second Floor, D/ Glazing, C/Heating & Driveway.

£169,995



HIGHMOOR CL, COPPICE FARM
Three Bed Detached Having Lounge, Separate Dining Room With UPVC Double Glazed French Doors, Fitted Kitchen, Master Bedroom With Fitted Wardrobes, Two Further Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, D/ Glazing, C/Heating, Garage And Block Paved Driveway.

£169,995



NEW ROAD, WILLENHALL
Spacious First Floor One Bed Flat In Willenhall Town Centre Comprises Lounge, Dining Kitchen, Bedroom, D/Glazing & C/Heating, Close To Good Local Amenities And Great Public Transport Links!

£350 PCM



THE CRESCENT, WILLENHALL
Immaculately Presented First Floor One Bedroom Flat Comprising Of Lounge, Double Bedroom, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Modern Bathroom, C/Heating, D/Glazing And Gated Off Road Parking For One Vehicle To The Rear. Must View!

£395 PCM



GRENVILLE CLOSE, BENTLEY
Well Presented One Bed First Floor Maisonette Comprising Entrance Hall, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Double Bedroom, Bathroom, D/Glazing, Thermostatic Electric Heating, Garage And Driveway. Must View!

£400 PCM



BLOXWICH RD 5TH, W HALL
Well Presented Two Bed Property Comprising Of Two Reception Rooms, Breakfast Kitchen, Utility, Ground Floor W.C, Modern Fitted Bathroom, C/Heating, Majority D/ Glazing And Rear Garden. Viewing Recommended!

£450 PCM



LICHFIELD RD, WEDNESFIELD
Well Presented Three Bed Terraced Property Comprising Of Two Reception Rooms, Entrance Porch, Fitted Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Modern Family Bathroom With Shower, D/Glazing, C/Heating And Rear Garden. Viewing Recommended!

£500 PCM



SOWERS GDNS, W HALL
Well Presented Three/Four Bed End Town House. The Property Comprises Of Entrance Porch, Inner Hallway, Spacious Kitchen Diner, Lounge, Three/Four Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/ Heating, Enclosed Rear Garden

£525 PCM



COLMAN AVE, WEDNESFIELD
Two Bed End Terrace House. Comprises Of Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Lobby Area With Storage Cupboards And W.C, Two Bedrooms And Family Bathroom. Off Road Parking To The Front And An Enclosed Garden To The Rear.

£525 PCM



KEWSTOKE RD, WILLENHALL
Two Bedroom Semi Detached House Situated On Sneyd Park Estate. Comprises Of Lounge/Diner, Fitted Kitchen, Two Bedrooms And Family Bathroom. Also Benefits Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Front And Rear Gardens And Off Road Parking.

£550 PCM

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71 THE LINDENS, NEWBRIDGE, WOLVERHAMPTON

Well positioned First Floor Flat with pleasant outlook. Private Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Bathroom, Garage
EPC: TBA

Guide: £53,000 / £58,000

**VIEW; FRIDAY & SATURDAY,
6th & 7th JUNE @ 10.00 a.m.**



1 LEICESTER STREET, WHITMORE REANS, WOLVERHAMPTON

Prominent position - Semi-Detached close to all local amenities. Gas CH, Two Reception, Kitchen, spacious Bathroom, Three Bedrooms (wc & wash basin En Suite to Bed 3), Rear Garden.
EPC: E.56

Guide: £75,000 / £80,000

**VIEW; FRIDAY & SATURDAY,
6th & 7th JUNE @ 10.45 a.m.**



71 STOURBRIDGE ROAD, SCOTTS GREEN, DUDLEY (Access between Nos. 69 & 73)

Brick built Worship Hall (now redundant) Reception Hall, Main Hall 40ft. x 19ft., ante-Room / Kitchen, w.c., Cellar.
Outside: Gents' W.C.

Guide: £30,000 / £35,000

**VIEW; THURSDAY & FRIDAY,
5th & 6th JUNE @ 12.00 noon**



Nos. 502 / 502A STAFFORD ROAD, WOLVERHAMPTON

Commercial Investment - part vacant (No. 502). Prominently situated Shop Premises in busy area. Main Shop, two additional Rooms, internal and external w.c.s. First Floor (502A) separately accessed, Landing, Four Rooms, w.c. Outside: Potential parking bay. EPC: F.130

Guide: £100,000 / £110,000

**VIEW; FRIDAY 6th JUNE
@ 10.15 a.m.**



11 CHURCHFIELD AVENUE, TIPTON

Smartly presented and amazingly spacious Three Bedroomed Flat, Lounge, Balcony, fitted Dining Kitchen, Bathroom, Separate w.c., Gas CH to radiators EPC: TBA

Guide: £33,000 / £38,000

**VIEW; FRIDAY 6th JUNE @ 11.30 a.m. &
SATURDAY 7th JUNE @ 10.00 a.m.**



103 MERRIDALE ROAD, WOLVERHAMPTON

Two bed Mid Terrace, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, First Floor Bathroom, Side Pedestrian access & Garden at rear
EPC: D.55

Guide: £58,000 / £63,000

**VIEW; FRIDAY 6th JUNE @ 2.45 p.m. &
SATURDAY 7th JUNE @ 11.45 a.m.**



22 WOODHALL ROAD, PENN

Popular residential area - Smart, well presented extended Three Bed Detached Porch, Reception Hall, fitted Cloakroom, Lounge, Dining Room, fine Dining Kitchen, Laundry, galleried Landing, large Bathroom, Garage, Store, lovely Garden EPC: E.54

Guide: £195,000 / £205,000

**VIEW; FRIDAY 6th JUNE @ 12.30 p.m. &
SATURDAY 7th JUNE @ 11.15 a.m.**



79 MERRIDALE ROAD, WOLVERHAMPTON

Close to City Centre, large Victorian House Hall, Two Reception, Dining Kitchen, big Laundry, Shower Room, Five Bedrooms, Bathroom, drive and walled Rear Garden area
EPC: D.58

Guide: £153,000 / £158,000

**VIEW: THURSDAY & FRIDAY,
5th & 6th JUNE @ 2.00 p.m.**



IVY HOUSE, 1 WELLINGTON ROAD, BILSTON

Substantial Residential Investment.

Prominently situated c/o Wellington Road / Mount Pleasant. Fine, imposing and well proportioned. Five Self-Contained Residential Units (one vacant). Four currently let on AST's producing £19,200 p.a.x. EPC's: F.26, G.17, F.36, F.34. Fully let estimated income £24,600 p.a.x.

Guide: £195,000 / £210,000

**VIEW: THURSDAY 5th JUNE
@ 2.00 p.m.. PROMPT**



BRIDGNORTH ROAD, WIGHTWICK, WOLVERHAMPTON

A Plot of Freehold Land with 100ft. (approx.) road frontage and Vehicular access (shared) - may suit a variety of uses subject to Planning

Guide: £15,000 / £20,000



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Guide: £35,000 / £40,000

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- Energy Rating TBC, Double Glazed Conservatory

OFFERS AROUND: **£265,000**
Viewing:

Oakwood Street
West Bromwich

NEW



- Deceptively Spacious Bungalow
- Four Bedrooms
- Two Bathrooms
- Energy Rating D, Open Plan Lounge/Dining Room

OFFERS AROUND: **£245,000**
Viewing:

Walhouse Road
Walsall



- Immaculate End Terrace Property
- Three Large Bedrooms & First Floor Bathroom
- Principle Reception Room & Cellar
- Spacious Family Accommodation
- Sun Room, Utility Room & Ground Floor Wc

Viewing



- Imposing Reception Hallway
- Double Glazed As Stated
- Gas Central Heating System, Modern Kitchen Incorporating Dining & Living Space

OFFERS AROUND: **£230,000**

Thursfield Road
West Bromwich



- Larger Style Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Extended Breakfast Kitchen
- Energy Rating E, Through Lounge

OFFERS AROUND: **£197,950**
Viewing:

Tapestries Avenue
West Bromwich

REDUCED



- Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Side Tandem Garage
- Energy Rating TBC, Two Bathrooms

OFFERS OVER **£175,000**
Viewing:

Victoria Avenue
Bloxwich



- Spacious Traditional Semi Detached Home
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge & Two Further Reception Rooms
- Large Mature Rear Garden
- First Floor Family Bathroom

Viewing



- Ground Floor Guest Wc
- Double Glazed As Stated
- Gas Central Heating System, Kitchen Incorporating Breakfast Area

£190,000

Wolverhampton Road West
Bentley

NEW



- Extended Traditional Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms & Study/Additional Bedroom
- Through Lounge Incorporating Dining Area
- Rear Garden & Decked Terrace
- Contemporary Style Kitchen

Viewing



- Family Bathroom With Four Piece Suite
- Double Glazed As Stated
- Gas Central Heating System, Breakfast Room & Utility Room

OFFERS AROUND: **£154,950**

Maple Drive
South Walsall

NEW



- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms & First Floor Bathroom
- Through Lounge & Conservatory
- Energy Rating TBC
- Double Glazed As Stated

Viewing



- Gas Central Heating System
- Driveway & Double Length Garage
- Fore & Rear Garden, Kitchen & Reception Hallway

OFFERS AROUND: **£154,950**

Meyrick Road
West Bromwich

REDUCED



- End Terrace Property
- Three Good Size Bedrooms
- En Suite To Master Bedroom
- Energy Rating B, Upstairs Bathroom

OFFERS AROUND: **£139,950**
Viewing:

Coburg Croft
Tipton



- modern detached
- upvc double glazing - gas central heating
- corner plot
- 3 bedrooms - en suite, epc C

OFFERS AROUND: **£135,000**
Viewing:

Maud Road
West Bromwich

NEW



- Much Improved End Terrace
- Much Improved Accommodation
- Upstairs Bathroom
- Energy Rating TBC, Off Street Parking

OFFERS AROUND: **£134,950**
Viewing:

Levenson Drive
Tipton



- Immaculate Modern Middle Terrace
- Upvc double glazing - Gas central heating
- Upvc double glazing - Gas central heating
- 3 bedrooms, epc D

OFFERS AROUND: **£130,000**
Viewing:

Great Meadow
Tipton



- Modern middle terrace
- Upvc double glazing - gas central heating
- No upward chain
- 3 bedrooms - en suite, epc C

OFFERS AROUND: **£129,950**
Viewing:

Hallam Street
West Bromwich

NEW



- Walking Distance To Sandwell Hospital
- Traditional Terrace Property
- Two Reception Rooms
- Energy Rating TBC, Two Bathrooms

OFFERS AROUND: **£129,950**
Viewing:

Bloomfield Road
Tipton



- Modern attractive 2.5 storey town house
- Upvc double glazing - gas central heating
- Spacious family accommodation
- 3 bedrooms - en suite, epc

OFFERS AROUND: **£127,999**
Viewing:

Beaconsfield Street
West Bromwich

NEW



- Mid Terrace Property
- Two Reception Rooms
- Three Bedrooms
- Upstairs Shower Room

OFFERS AROUND: **£112,000**
Viewing:

Jonfield Gardens
Great Barr

REDUCED



- Modern Top Floor Apartment
- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge & Kitchen
- Viewing Essential To Appreciate, Bathroom With

OFFERS OVER **£110,000**
Viewing:

Salter Road
Tipton



- Much Improved Middle Terrace
- Upvc double glazing - gas central heating
- Spacious family accommodation
- 3 bedrooms, epc D

OFFERS AROUND: **£109,995**
Viewing:

Alma Avenue
Tipton



- Extended traditional semi detached
- Upvc double glazing - gas central heating
- Improved accommodation
- 3 bedrooms, epc D

OFFERS AROUND: **£109,950**
Viewing:

Cunningham Road
Bentley

NEW



- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms & First Floor Bathroom
- Through Lounge
- Energy Rating TBC, Kitchen & Utility Room

OFFERS AROUND: **£99,950**
Viewing:

Laburnum Grove
Bentley



- Mid Terrace Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge Incorporating Dining Area
- EPC Rating E
- First Floor Modern Bathroom

Viewing



- Double Glazing As Stated
- Gas Central Heating System
- Off Road Parking To Fore, Contemporary Style Kitchen

OFFERS AROUND: **£107,950**

Davy Road
Walsall



- End Terrace Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge & Sitting Room
- Internal Inspection: Essential, Kitchen With Break-

OFFERS AROUND: **£95,000**
Viewing:

Dora Street
Walsall



- Mid Terrace Property
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Viewing Essential, First Floor Bathroom

OFFERS AROUND: **£89,950**
Viewing:

Whitgreave Street
West Bromwich



- Extended semi detached
- upvc double glazing - gas central heating
- no upward chain
- 2 bedrooms, epc C

OFFERS AROUND: **£80,000**
Viewing:

Watson Road
Wednesbury



- Surprisingly Spacious 3 Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- In Need of Modernisation

OFFERS AROUND: **£79,950**
Viewing:

Pleck Road
Walsall

NEW



- Traditional Mid Terrace Property
- upvc double glazing - gas central heating
- Two Reception Rooms
- Energy Rating D, Kitchen

OFFERS AROUND: **£79,950**
Viewing:

Steven Drive
Bilston



- modern middle terrace
- upvc double glazing - gas central heating
- Improved accommodation
- 1 bedroom, epc C

OFFERS AROUND: **£72,000**
Viewing:

Manifold Way
Wednesbury



- A 2 Bedroom Ground Floor Apartment
- No Upward Chain!
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- EPC Rating: C, Reception Hall

OFFERS AROUND: **£66,950**
Viewing:

Manifold Way
Wednesbury



- A Modern 2 Bedroom 1st Floor Apartment
- In Need of Some Improvement
- Double Glazing
- EPC Rating: B, Reception Hall

OFFERS AROUND: **£55,000**
Viewing:

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- Three Bedroom Detached Bungalow
- Lounge
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Utility/Shower Room
- Family Bathroom
- Double Garage
- Corner Plot Location

Offers in Excess of £240,000



Lichfield Road BLOXWICH

- Extended Four Bed Detached
- Immaculate Presentation
- Sought After Location
- Block Paved
- Driveway
- Garage
- Extensive Rear Garden
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating

In the Region of £334,000



Fivefields Road WILLENHALL

- Extended Four Bedroom Detached
- Two Reception Rooms
- Fitted Kitchen
- Guest W.C.
- Family Bathroom
- Garage & Off Road Parking
- Large Rear Garage

In the Region of £315,000



Marlpool Drive PELSALL

- Five Bedroom Detached
- Two Reception Rooms
- Newly Fitted Kitchen
- Utility Room
- Master Bedroom with En-Suite
- Newly Fitted Family Bathroom

In the Region of £295,000



Mount Road PELSALL

- Four Bedroom Detached
- Two Reception Rooms with Appliances
- Further Reception/
- Garage
- En-Suite Bathrooms & Cloakroom
- Conservatory
- Mature Rear Garden with Brick Built Shed

In the Region of £285,000



Wallington Heath BLOXWICH

- Two Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Through Lounge
- Fitted Breakfast/Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Fitted Wardrobes in Master Bedroom
- Conservatory/Utility
- Gardens

Offers in Excess of £160,000



Spindle Tree Rise WILLENHALL

- Three Bedroom Detached
- Through Lounge/Diner
- Fitted kitchen
- Utility • Guest W.C.
- Master Bedroom with E-Suite
- Family Bathroom
- Conservatory

In the Region of £159,950



Lichfield Road BLOXWICH

- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Two Reception Rooms
- Kitchen • Lean To
- Family Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage & Driveway

Offers in Excess of £150,000



Simmonds Road BLOXWICH

- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Fully Refurbished
- Lounge
- Newly Fitted Kitchen/Diner
- Utility
- En-Suite
- Conservatory with shower
- Gardens
- Garage & Driveway

Offers in Excess of £142,000



The Pines WALSALL

- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Kitchen
- Lounge/Dining Room
- Conservatory
- Family Bathroom
- Garage/Games Room
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking

In the Region of £139,950



Tenbury Close WALSALL

- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Planning Permission
- Fitted Kitchen
- Lounge
- Shower Room
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking

In the Region of £137,500



Oakridge Close WILLENHALL

- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Family Bathroom
- Cul-de-Sac location
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating

In the Region Of £134,950



Amberwood Close WALSALL

- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Lounge • Kitchen
- Utility • Bathroom
- Front & Rear
- Gardens
- Carport & Driveway
- Double Glazing
- Gas Heating

In the Region of £132,500



RUSHALL

Station Road

- Three Bedroom End-Terrace
- Two Reception Rooms
- Fitted Kitchen
- Family Bathroom
- Well Maintained Rear Garden
- Ample Off Road Parking
- Viewing is Essential

Offers in Excess of £120,000



Cartbridge Lane WALSALL

- Two Bedroom Mid-Terrace
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- Cloakroom W.C.
- Bathroom
- Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Double Glazing
- Gas Heating

In the Region of £127,995



Rough Brook Road RUSHALL

- Two Bedroom Mid-Terrace
- Fitted Kitchen
- Lounge/Dining Room
- Guest W.C.
- Family Bathroom
- Enclosed Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking
- Double Glazing & Gas

In the Region of £124,995



WALSALL

Moncrieffe Street

- Two Bedroom Mid-Terrace
- Through Lounge/Dining Room
- Extended Fitted Kitchen
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Rear Courtyard & Garden
- Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating

In the Region of £95,000



Dryden Road WALSALL

- Extended Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Lounge
- Extended Kitchen/Diner
- Ground Floor
- Bathroom
- En-Suite Shower Room
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating

Offers in Excess of £99,995



Hilton Close BLOXWICH

- Three Bedroom End-Terrace
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- New Family
- Bathroom
- Conservatory
- Gated Vehicle Access
- Front & Rear Gardens

In the Region of £99,950



King Charles Avenue WALSALL

- EXTENDED TWO BED SEMI-DETACHED
- Double Garage • Ample Off Road Parking
- Lounge • Dining Room • Extended Kitchen
- Family Bathroom • Double Garage
- Front & Rear Gardens and Ample Off Road Parking

In the Region of £93,500



Hunter Crescent BLOXWICH

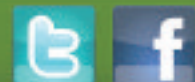
- EXTENDED THREE BEDROOM SEMI-DETACHED
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Bathroom • Gardens
- Garage
- Parking

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**Ferndown Close
WALSALL**

- Four Bedroom
- Detached
- Two Reception Rooms
- Fitted Kitchen with Appliances
- Master Bedroom with En-Suite
- Family Bathroom
- Conservatory
- Detached Garage

Offers in Excess of £240,000



**Stamping Way
BLOXWICH**

- Four Bedroom Three Storey
- Two Reception Rooms
- Fitted Kitchen/Diner
- Guest W.C.
- Master Bedroom with En-Suite
- Family Bathroom
- Detached Garage

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Gurnard Close

- Extended Two Bedroom Semi-Detached
- L' Shaped Lounge/Dining Room
- Fitted Kitchen
- Utility/Downstairs W.C.
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens

Offers in Excess of £130,000



**Coltham Road
WILLENHALL**

- Three Bedroom End-Terrace
- Large Lounge
- Newly Fitted Kitchen
- Dining Room
- Conservatory
- Family Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Allocated Off Road Parking

In the Region of £130,000



**Lane Avenue
WALSALL**

- Extended Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Re-Furnished
- Lounge/Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Cloakroom W.C.
- En-Suite Shower
- Bathroom
- Rear Gardens

In the Region of £128,000



**Field road
BLOXWICH**

- Four Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Fully Re-Furnished
- Two Reception Rooms
- Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Utility Room/WC
- Conservatory
- Family Bathroom
- Rear Garden

In the Region of £194,000



**Miles Meadow Close
COPPICE FARM**

- Four Bedroom Detached
- Two Reception Rooms
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Master Bedroom with En-Suite
- Three Further Double Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Garage & Off Road Parking

Offers in Excess of £190,000

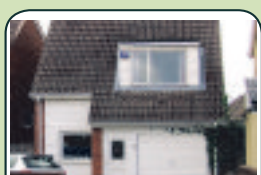


WALSALL

West Bromwich Road

- Extended Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Two Reception Rooms
- Kitchen
- Down Stairs Bathroom
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Upstairs Shower Room
- Front & Rear Gardens

In the Region of £125,000



**Well Lane
BLOXWICH**

- Three Bedroom Detached
- Lounge/Dining Room
- Fitted Kitchen
- Family Bathroom
- Integral Garage
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Ample Off Road Parking

Offers in Excess of £120,000



**Lane Avenue
WALSALL**

- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Guest W.C.
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Off Road Parking

Offers in Excess of £120,000



**Lichfield Road
WILLENHALL**

- Two Bedroom End-Terrace
- Fitted Kitchen
- Family Bathroom
- Lounge/Dining Room
- Room
- Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating

In the Region of £114,995



**Red Brook Road
WALSALL**

- Two Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Situated in a quiet Cul-de-Sac
- Kitchen
- Lounge/Dining Room
- Family Bathroom
- Conservatory
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking

In the Region of £110,000



**Chatsworth Close
WILLENHALL**

- Two Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Family Bathroom
- Detached Garage
- Off Road Parking

Offers in Excess of £110,000



**Walkers Fold
WILLENHALL**

- Two Bedroom Mid-Terrace
- Lounge/Diner
- Fitted Kitchen
- Two Double Gardens
- Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Off Road Parking
- Front & Rear

In the Region of £108,950



**Terret Close
WALSALL**

- Two Bedroom First Floor Apartment
- Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen
- Master Bedroom
- with En-Suite
- Family Bathroom
- Secure Allocated Parking
- Electric Heating

Offers in Excess of £90,000



**Raleigh Street
WALSALL**

- Two Bedroom Mid-Terrace
- Two Reception Rooms
- Kitchen
- Ground Floor Bathroom
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Rear Courtyard &

In the Region of £85,000



**Blakenall Lane
BLOXWICH**

- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Potential to Extend
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Downstairs W.C.
- Shower Room
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking

In the Region of £85,000



**Water Reed Grove
BLOXWICH**

- Two Bedroom Third Floor Apartment
- Lounge/Diner
- Family Bathroom
- En-Suite Shower
- Room
- Communal Grounds
- Allocated Parking
- Double Glazing
- Electric Heating

In the Region of £84,950



**Cope Street
BLOXWICH**

- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Guest W.C.
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Shower Room
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking

Offers in Excess of £80,000



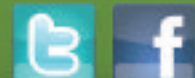
**Terret Close
WALSALL**

- One Bedroom Top Floor Apartment
- Lounge/Kitchen
- Double Bedroom
- Bathroom
- Allocated Gated Parking
- Double Glazing
- Electric Heating

In the Region of £79,950



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Mii Mango is big in the style stakes

By Sharon Walters

The order books have opened for Mii by Mango, Seat's most highly specified compact car yet.

Built on the belief that thinking small shouldn't mean sacrificing on style, the special edition's arrival is the result of a collaboration between Seat and influential Spanish fashion company Mango.

Available in both three and five-door bodystyles, priced at £10,995 and £11,345 respectively, this newcomer is a flagship addition to the Barcelona-based brand's successful Mii family.

Sharing the model's already appreciated attributes of quality and impressive packaging, coupled with running costs which are among the lowest in the segment, Mii by Mango builds on this with additional beauty in the detail.

Boasting a lengthy list of additional standard features, over the Sport on which it is based, fashion meets functionality in a car that's all about youthful yet tasteful design.

The first visual cue to this catwalk-inspired edition is the Mii by Mango badging and choice of colour schemes. Uniquely, there's the option of either custom-palette Nude with dark grey alloys or a Deep Black metallic hue and silver wheels. Privacy glass plus contrasting side trim detailing and door mirrors complete the look.

Unique

Emphasising its status as a halo model, Mii by Mango also benefits from an interior makeover. The unique leather and perforated Alcantara upholstery add an aura of real luxury with the contrast piping and stitching, as well as branded door sills, floor mats and key fobs, creating a bespoke feel to the cabin environment.

Mii by Mango wants for nothing in the way of equipment either, with remote central locking, electric windows, air conditioning, Isofix anchoring points and a suite of airbags for the safety conscious. The Seat Portable System Live adds to the driving experience, with satellite navigation, Bluetooth hands-free connectivity and audio streaming.

Additionally, a Mii by Mango Style Pack is available as an option. This includes a panoramic glass sunroof and front fog lights for £690.

The Mango edition's launch also coincides with ESC, tyre pressure monitoring and Hill Hold Control becoming standard on all Mii trim levels.

Despite making a fashion statement, Mii by Mango won't disappoint on the move. Powered exclusively by the higher output 75PS version of the VW Group's three-cylinder 1.0-litre engine with five-speed manual gearbox means there's adequate performance matched with impressive eco credentials. The vital statistics are: 0-62mph in 13.2 seconds; 108g/km CO2; 60.1mpg combined.

First deliveries are expected in August.



Mokka has combination to suit life enthusiasts

By Bob Hickman

Vauxhall Mokka buyers are people likely to be enthusiasts for life rather than for cars. So they may not care that this car isn't quite as sharp and wieldy as a rival Nissan Juke, nor does it have the 'big SUV' polish of a comparable Skoda Yeti. Instead, there's a potentially pleasing compromise between the two.

Under the bonnet, there are three main engine options, the most affordable being the least desirable of the trio, the 2WD-only 115PS petrol 1.6-litre variant which, with only 155Nm of torque, needs to be rowed along a little with the gear lever – a stick that only offers you five speeds.

A better bet for petrol people is the Mokka we tried, the 140PS 1.4-litre turbo. Sixty is just 9.4s away enroute to 118mph, so it's usefully more rapid, and there's a healthier 200Nm of torque. Despite all this and the standard inclusion of 4WD, the provision of a 6-speed gearbox and more modern mechanicals mean that this pokier 1.4 is actually cheaper to run than the feebler 1.6.

The most practical engine choice though is the one most buyers will probably select, the 130PS 1.7-litre CDTI diesel capable of a top speed of around 116mph and rest to sixty in around 10s. You get all the main mechanical choices with this unit – so you can specify your car with 6-speed manual or automatic transmission and with or without 4WD. Perhaps more importantly, you get a lot more pulling power – 300Nm in all. Every Mokka is theoretically capable of towing a braked trailer of up to 1200kg in weight, but this diesel variant is the only one that'll really take such a task in its stride.

Under the skin are the underpinnings of a supermini – more specifically, the Chevrolet Aveo, mechanicals Chevrolet has also used in its Trax small lifestyle Crossover that's one of this Vauxhall's sharpest rivals. In the back, the rear seats benefit from wide opening doors that simplify the fitment of a child seat, though that sharply rising waistline might restrict the view out for smaller occupants.

Interior

As for luggage room, well, there's no high boot lip to negotiate and beyond it lies 356-litres of carriage space – about the same as you'd get in a MINI Countryman but 30 per cent more than you'd get in a Nissan Juke.

And at the wheel? Well the interior isn't overly adventurous, but this car's more conservative vibe might just mean it mops up sales from people left a bit cold by the sheer extravagance of some rivals.

So, this Mokka's a small, trendily-styled five-door little SUV/Crossover? Well yes. So it'll be priced directly against the other car we tend to think of in this market sector, Nissan's Juke, won't it? Well, no. Vauxhall points out – correctly – that their car is a larger thing – hence the price span for the range that lies in the £16,000 to £24,000 bracket.

Perhaps the most telling comparisons though, come when, as many will, you begin to stack this Mokka up against something more conventional. Why, for example, would you buy a conventional 1.6-litre petrol-powered Vauxhall Astra family hatchback when a Mokka with exactly the same engine would save you around £1,500 and offer you more luggage space? A diesel Astra with the same 130PS 1.7-litre CDTI engine you'll find in this Mokka would also be around £1,500 more.

Equipped

If, having considered all of this, you decide that it is indeed a Mokka that you actually want, then you'll be pleased to find that whichever of the five-door models you choose it'll come well equipped.

As far as cost of ownership is concerned, it would be fair to call this Mokka 'class competitive'. As you'd expect these days, a start/stop system is fitted across the range (though only on manual gearbox models) to cut the engine when you don't need it, stuck in traffic or waiting at the lights. As a result, even the oldest engine in the line-up, the 115PS 1.6-litre petrol unit returns 43.5mpg on the combined cycle and 153g/km of CO2. As for the 140PS 1.4-litre petrol turbo 4x4 Mokka we tried, well despite the extra power and weight, the figures are nearly as good – 44.1mpg and 149g/km of CO2. Much pricier all-wheel drive petrol Juke and Countryman models use much bigger, thirstier, dirtier engines that don't ultimately take you much faster.

Stacking up even better is the Mokka in 1.7-litre CDTI 130PS diesel form. Thanks to 'Clean Tech' technology that optimises combustion control, NOx nitrogen oxide emissions are reduced and overall efficiency is dramatically improved. To the point where the figures for this variant – 62.8mpg on the combined cycle and 120g/km of CO2 – get close to those of a MINI Countryman Cooper D that, with around 20PS less, takes around a second longer to get you from rest to sixty.

Not too long ago, it was hard to think of a more conventional brand than Vauxhall. But that was then. Here's how the company is thinking now: looks a lot more appealing doesn't it?



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A new era for the Outlander

By David Banner

The Mitsubishi Outlander PHEV is a plug-in hybrid which can't fail to impress. It'll get over 32 miles on a full electric charge, which means many commutes will cost pennies in energy charges.

The 44g/km emissions figure also means free London congestion charge and a minuscule benefit in kind tax bill.

Granted, this might sound a little harsh, but Mitsubishi doesn't tend to be the company you look to as a leader in exploiting profitable market niches.

Yes, its Lancer Evo series of rally replicas was a case in point, but other than that, what have we had?

There was the electric Mitsubishi MiEV which was hugely expensive and flopped as a result, and after that you might be struggling. Instead, we've come to regard the Japanese company as a purveyor of solid, well-priced and reliable cars which are rarely exceptional in any key regard.

The Mitsubishi Outlander always used to conform to that stereotype. If your neighbour bought one, you wouldn't invite your friends round to point and laugh, but you'd probably think it was a bit of an odd buy, given the choices available.

The latest generation Outlander has changed all that, standing on its own two feet in a tough section of the market. Mitsubishi has caught all of its illustrious rivals on the back foot too with the Outlander PHEV plug-in hybrid variant.

The Outlander diesel is good but the PHEV uses very different mechanicals. This one features a 2.0-litre petrol engine and a pair of electric motors on each axle, giving all wheel drive and a combined power output in the region of 220bhp.

So as you might imagine, it's pretty sprightly when you bury the throttle, although Mitsubishi's quoted sprint to 62mph of 11 seconds sounds strangely slow.

Driven in full electric mode, you'll feel the huge torque of the motors and be able to cruise at motorway speeds on electric power alone, although not for too far. Refinement is very good, even without the sound of an engine to drown out wind and tyre noise.

Sophisticated

There's a very handy feature included where you can request the battery holds a particular level of charge and you can also use the petrol engine as a generator, to drive battery power back up to 70 per cent of its capacity. There's also a sophisticated five-level regenerative braking system that the driver can select using the wheel-mounted paddles or what you'd otherwise take to be the gear lever.

The cabin is very nicely executed. The Outlander offers plenty of soft-touch finishes and a clean, architectural fascia design. There's a small increase in the vehicle's weight due to the floor-mounted battery pack, a paltry reduction of 14 litres in boot space and rear legroom is a touch more pinched due to the raised floor height. The 577-litre boot is still more than adequate for most requirements and the luggage bay is well shaped.



'The latest generation Outlander has changed all that, standing on its own two feet in a tough section of the market'

Prices look very competitive, starting at just over £28,000 after subtraction of the government grant – so the same money as a conventional Outlander GX3 diesel auto. That's for the entry-level GX3h version: there are also two other PHEV models, the GX4h costing around £33,000 and the top GX4hs costing around £35,000.

The 'official' fuel consumption figure of 148mpg merely serves to remind us that we have an urgent need for a new European fuel consumption test which more closely mirrors everyday driving condi-

tions. Likewise, the 44g/km emissions figure the Outlander PHEV records won't be something you'll be managing day in, day out.

As an exercise in taking advantage of a flawed testing procedure, it's remarkable.

This plug-in hybrid can drive for over 32 miles on a full electric charge and can be fast charged to 80 per cent in 30 minutes. This means that for some drivers, they'll be able to pop the car on charge in the evening, do the commute and bring it home without using any petrol at all.

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Saddlers in hunt for a new keeper

DEAN SMITH has expressed hope of finding a goalkeeper to challenge No.1 Richard O'Donnell next season.

The Saddlers boss is in the market for a keeper after opting to release last season's back-ups Shane Lewis and Liam Roberts.

Neither played a minute for the first team as O'Donnell was ever-present and while Smith was delighted with the form of his first choice stopper, he believes the contest for the No.1 jersey was not as strong as it should have been.

"Richard had a fantastic season last year and we will be looking to bring in a keeper to go and push him for next season because I think he needs challenging for his position," said Smith.

"I don't think there was enough of a challenge from Liam or Shane on Richard and I think he set the standard.

"Whoever comes in has got to be pushing that standard as well."

O'Donnell's form earned him the players' player of the season award and he was handed a new deal to the end of next season in January.

"Richard is another player who showed leadership skills throughout the season," added manager Smith.

‘Barmy’ Foster in the squad

ALBION keeper Ben Foster is geared up for his big World Cup audition by admitting his brothers branded him ‘barmy’ for stepping away from England duty.

Foster is back in the Three Lions ranks and was set to play for Roy Hodgson against Ecuador in Miami on Wednesday – his first start since ending his self-imposed international exile 15 months ago.

And the 31-year-old, who has made one sub appearance – against Ireland a year ago – since returning to the fold, admitted older brothers Brett and Adrian questioned his decision to make himself unavailable for England for almost two years.

He said: "It was a very big decision. I had a new born baby and another child under a year old. .

"I was always going to come back to the team if the manager was happy to have me, and thankfully the manager was."

Tragedy halts British rally

STOURBRIDGE'S Richard Sykes won a tense battle in the British Rally Championship (BRC) Challenge category of the Jim Clark rally last weekend.

However, the event ended in tragic circumstances.

Sykes endured a difficult run up to the rally. The Bathams Brewery and G I Sykes Ltd-supported Citroën C2 R200 was involved in an accident on it's way back from a test facility. However, after work the car was back on track.

Sykes charged through the 11 miles of stage 16 to lead. Then tragically some spectators died after being hit by a car.

Hayes pool their talent to grab cup



The winning Pool Hayes Year 8 team

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THE Pool HayesYear 8 Football Team travelled to the Banks's Stadium to compete in the cup final against Streety School.

In a nervy start, Streety took the initiative with a well-taken goal to go one up. Jordan Winkle, who's two hat-tricks in two of the previous rounds had secured the final spot, was in mesmerising form. His pace and strength were no match for his opposite number allowing him to break away and slot home the equaliser.

A strong Man of the Match candidate Elliott Alves at centre half stopped several potential goalscoring opportunities from Streety. Superb performances from John Follows, Connor Higgs and Ryan Thelwell proved it was certainly going to beHayes' day.

By the time Luke Whittingham and Joe

Football

Reynolds started to dominate the middle of the park after 20 minutes, the team settled into their stride and really looked like scoring a second.

Quality

Bone-crunching tackles by Reynolds and Whittingham's insurmountable bottle, allowed wingers Kyle Hunt and captain for the day Charlie Stanistreet to push forward. Only quality goalkeeping from the Streety stopper kept the scores level.

Then came the turning point. Streety managed a break away leaving a one-on-one with Hayes' keeper Stephen Thompson. In what turned out to be a potential match saving save, Thompson leapt down to his

right to turn the ball away from goal.

A trio of subs including eventual Man of the Match Jerome Woolery, Ben Styles and Joe Wellings saw Pool Hayes push further on up the pitch to create several goalscoring opportunities. Styles eventually claimed a well-deserved second goal. 2-1.

Connor White and Liam Griffiths both entered the field of play with 20 minutes to go and with fresh legs, cut out any threats posed by Streety.

Woolery looked like a young Diego Maradona, at one point taking the ball past six opposition players before laying off a neat pass.

Wellings, who had worked his socks off up and down the left wing since coming on, finally settled the nerves with eight minutes to go to put Hayes 3-1 up for the final score. The whole event was a splendid day overall.

Historic football club in fight for survival

OVERGROWN grass, litter strewn across the stands and a leaking roof in the dressing rooms – this is the dire situation facing Pelsall Villa FC as it fights for survival.

Volunteers who have steered the club through the latest era of its 116-year history have spoken of their sadness at its current plight and called on the community to help save it.

It is on the brink of closing unless people come forward to help with day-to-day running and costs.

Bosses say a public meeting has been organised for June 12 to draw up an action plan.

And they have urged anyone who can help to get in touch no matter how small their contribution might be.

Bosses are looking for people to help sweep the stands and car park, staff the canteen and cut the grass.

But they also need sponsors to pump money into the club to cover running costs and repairs.

The stand was recently revamped using grants but the club has fallen into disarray as former players Mark Bentley and Shaun Mason struggle to take on all the roles themselves.

There has also been a dispute over use of the dressing rooms, which are leased from Pelsall Cricket Club, but Mr Bentley said they hope the clubs will work together to find a solution.

Mr Bentley warned some 'tough decisions' will have to be made at the upcoming meeting at the Bush Ground in Walsall Road.

"We need to look at whether we can go forward in the current state," he said. "We want as many people as possible to come and get behind us."

Mr Mason and Mr Bentley took on roles of team man-

Football

ager and assistant respectively 14 years ago, before Mr Mason became chairman the following year when Vic Dolphin retired after 27 years.

Mr Dolphin, now 91, said it was a 'great shame' that the club was facing closure and added: "It was a good team when I was there. They just aren't getting the support now and they are really struggling."

Committee members that led the club during more successful years have gradually retired, leaving a just a handful of volunteers behind.

Mr Bentley's 24-year-old son Andrew, who runs the first team, said: "The club has been around a long time but it has just stood still.

"There is so much to do. I've been running the team as a player-manager but there just aren't enough people."

Mr Mason said: "Unless we get more support I can sadly confirm we are in grave danger of folding. It's a tragedy considering the club has been established since 1898."

Records show that football was played in Pelsall as long ago as 1898.

The two world wars meant football took a back seat for a few years, but the club reformed in 1961.



Pelsall Villaare in need of community support or it may close. From the club, Mark Bentley and his son Tom, aged 11

Pubs ready for the World Cup bonanza

IT'S not long now until the whole country unites to share the agony, ecstasy and, historically, disappointment when England play in a major tournament.

And while fans get ready to paint themselves red and white and declare their love for St George and the Three Lions pubs in the Midlands are hoping the World Cup will provide a much-welcome boost.

They could be seeing even more pour through the doors than would normally be expected after it emerged there won't be any large scale public screening of games in the Black Country, Staffordshire and Birmingham.

That's because councils in the region have snubbed the chance to show England's World Cup games in Brazil on big screens in parks and town centres.

Instead bars in the Midlands are rubbing their hands as the prospect of bumper takings with the first game against Italy taking place 11pm on June 14.

None of the four Black Country councils, Wolverhampton, Walsall, Sandwell and Dudley will host outdoor events showing the games.

In addition Cannock, South Staffordshire and Stafford councils won't be providing a site for England fans to enjoy the sun and the football.

And Birmingham City Council, which has held public events at Millennium Point and Victoria Square in the city centre in the past, has no plans to shows Roy's boys in Brazil.

Wolverhampton City Council spokesman Gurdip Thandi said:"There are currently

no plans to arrange for a big screen to be installed at a city venue to televise World Cup games during the summer.

"The council endorsed the Government's proposals to relax licensing hours during England matches which will support the city's pubs."

Government ministers gave the go-ahead for local authorities to allow pubs and bars to stay open for longer during the World Cup.

The rulings allowed pubs could to stay open for up to four hours after each England match kicks off, although no alcohol can be served after 1am.

Previously licensed premises had to apply for Temporary Event Notices.

One Black Country sports bar boss says plans for authorities not to stage large

gathering for games will be to the benefit of licenseesAcross the street WS1 Night Club on Bridge Street in Walsall have been publishing an outside big screen to show England games during the World Cup.

Helen Kindon, team leader for Walsall Town & District centres management at Walsall Council said: "While we are of course hoping that England do well at this year's World Cup in Brazil the council will not be showing any of the matches on big screens around the borough."

In Wolverhampton, Hogshead in the city centre has decorated its bar with flags of the countries in the tournament and will be screening England games.

The Royal London, on Wulfruna Street, is getting in on the action as is Walkabout, on Queen Street.

Bruising battle on the bill for boxers

WALSALL'S Christopher Keane and home-town adversary Lawrence Bennett have predicted a battle of the bruisers when they square up in Swindon.

Reigning area champions at cruiserweight lock horns on Keith Mayo's show at Swindon's Oasis Leisure Centre, in a 10-round British title elimination.

Meanwhile, Jon-Lewis Dickinson and Ovíll McKenzie put their British and Commonwealth belts on the line in Newcastle to decide on one domestic champion.

Saturday's fight night could have a large bearing on the future for all four fighters, with Keane and Bennett both sampling defeat as they look to break through.

Big-hitting Keane, 27, has more double the experience through 13 paid contests, his one pro blemish coming against Neil Dawson in May of last year.

His dreams of adding the WBO International crown to his Midlands title were scuppered by a second round stoppage, but he's won two bouts since. He's still been forced onto the road and into the backyard of Bennett.Ticketsat £35 and £70 are available on 07854 377 765.

Keane in frame for Villa No.2

ROY KEANE has emerged as a shock contender to assist Paul Lambert as the Villa boss closed in on his No.2 today.

Ireland assistant Keane is on the verge of joining the claret and blues after rejecting the chance to manage Celtic.

Despite the club's impending sale Lambert has been looking for new coaching staff since No.2 Ian Culverhouse and head of football operations Gary Karsa were sacked for unconfirmed disciplinary issues last month.

Gordon Cowans and Shay Given were promoted to aid the first team but Lambert wants a permanent assistant.

Joining Villa will allow Keane to continue his duties as Republic of Ireland No.2 to Martin O'Neill and also accommodate his role as an ITV pundit for the Champions League. Keane joined Ireland under former Villa boss O'Neill in November 2011.

Mole on board for new project

CRADLEY have brought Tony Mole on board to take responsibility for their new track project, writes Nigel Pearson.

Mole, the British Speedway President, has an unequalled record in bringing the sport back to areas of the country which have been starved of speedway for years.

And although the Heathens are thriving at their shared Wolverhampton base, the management remain determined to take them to a new home.

Club spokesman Gary Patchett said: "Tony will need no introduction to our supporters."

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Breeze blowing into pro ranks

WALSALL'S Daniel Breeze will be looking to follow new stable-mate Sam Eggington's route to success when he starts on his professional path on Saturday night, writes Craig Birch.

The 18-year-old comes into the paid code early, like Stourbridge's Eggington did in 2012 after winning three national titles as an amateur for Warley Boxing Club. Breeze has enjoyed similar acclaim with the head-guard and vest, winning a Schoolboy and two junior ABA titles with Walsall Wood.

The teenager will be managed by Jon Pegg in the pro ranks, splitting his training between Pegg's gym in Birmingham and back at Wood under head coach Shaun Healy.

Eggington, still only 20, has flourished under such tutelage, becoming Midlands champion and hitting our screens twice with Prizefighter, live on Sky Sports.

And fellow welterweight Breeze wants some of that success, as both prepare for action at Aston Villa Football Club's Holte Suite this weekend.

The youngster has been paired with Matthew Ashmore, while Eggington will be put through his paces in a six-rounder against Lewis van Poetsch.

Washout for speedway

WOLVERHAMPTON'S eagerly awaited home clash with Leicester was washed out.

It was the first time the sides had met at Monmore in 34 years after the Lions were promoted in the winter – but the rivals managed just one heat last night but it was a good one.

Swedish starlet Jacob Thorsell dived underneath Lions number one Jason Doyle on the opening lap to secure the lead. Skipper Tai Woffinden attempted to follow suit but former Poole man Doyle resisted the World Champion's attacks and Wolves had to be content with a 4-2.

The second heat saw Joe Jacobs and Ashley Morris set for a 5-1 for the hosts only for Leicester's Max Clegg to come to grief, leading to a stoppage. He picked himself up unhurt as the heavens opened.

Smith tipping Flanagan to make an impact

DEAN Smith has tipped highly-rated midfielder Reece Flanagan to make his Walsall breakthrough next season.

The Saddlers boss says the 19-year-old playmaker's exciting potential is one of the main reasons he opted to release Nicky Featherstone. Flanagan is yet to make his first-team debut but featured on the bench in the final game of the season against Colchester.

And he also earned rave reviews during a loan spell at non-league Leamington, where he scored a "wonder goal" against Oxford City which has since racked up hundreds of

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views on YouTube. Veteran Adam Chambers and player of the season Sam Mantom are likely to begin the season as Smith's preferred pairing in the middle of the park but the manager expects Flanagan to challenge strongly for a starting place.

"Reece is an excellent player and I have high hopes for him," he said. "He has done really well and was one of the reasons I didn't keep Nicky."

Featherstone played a key role in some of the Saddlers' biggest results last term,

including the 1-0 win over Wolves at Molineux.

But he found himself unable to break up the Mantom and Chambers partnership and was largely limited to appearances off the bench from New Year onwards.

Smith added: "I said to Nicky that I saw the other two ahead of him. I think he is a fantastic player who never let us down, certainly when we played with three in the middle."

"But I had to wonder whether he would be stunting Reece's development by still being here? I think the answer in my head

was yes.

"It was a tough decision but I also think Nicky was getting frustrated at not playing. He wants to play and it was probably in his best interests as well as the clubs that he move on."

Smith also expects winger Kieron Morris and centre-back Matt Preston to be pushing for first-team places.

The latter also enjoyed a successful loan spell at Barwell and Smith added: "Matt Preston is someone who also went out and grew in stature." He went to Barwell and got man of the match every week.

Doyle 'in the dark' on deal

KEVIN DOYLE insists he is still in the dark despite claims his five-year Molineux stay will finally be over this week.

Reports from Queens Park Rangers suggest the 30-year-old Ireland striker will this week complete a £1m permanent switch to the club he helped return to the Premier League.

But the player, currently on international duty on the Irish trip to the USA, said he knows nothing and hasn't even ruled out a return to Wolves.

"I'll have no problem going back and everyone is perfectly civil and fine with me. It's not a case people don't talk to me," he said of the atmosphere he left behind when he made his loan switch to QPR in January.

"They have decisions to make and they'll make them. When I'm back it will be enjoyable training and we'll see then."

"It's up in the air, I am here until the end of the USA trip and back to Wolves on July 7. That's all I know, that's the only guarantee I have."

"There is nothing said and nothing has been guaranteed."

Demetriou will join the Shrews

DEFENDER Mickey Demetriou has left Kidderminster Harriers after agreeing a deal with League Two Shrewsbury Town.

The 24-year-old England C international has agreed to a two-year contract with the Shropshire club.

Demetriou made 122 appearances for Harriers after joining from Eastbourne.

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NEW-KIT SADDLERS PRAISED BY SMITH

DEAN Smith has hailed Walsall's attractive "brand" and claimed it will help encourage players to join this summer.

The Saddlers are celebrating good news off the pitch, after signing a new three-year shirt sponsorship deal with HomeServe.

And Smith is confident of success on the pitch next

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season, as he looks to add more bite to a playing squad which was in the top half of League One for almost all of last term.

While he operates with one of the division's smallest playing budgets, Smith believes the club's philosophy of both playing and doing things the right way has made them an attractive package to players who are not just interested in making money.

"I recently sat down with the chairman and the chief executive and told them I think as a brand, our club is in a good place," he said. "A lot of people have talked about they like how we play and they like what they see."

Enticing

"I think it has become a more enticing place to come and play now."

"If it's down to money players will go to one of the top teams in the league because we can't compete with some of those financially."

"But if it's about football and being treated in the right way, then this is the place to be."

Smith is facing something of a rebuild in the next few weeks as he hunts replacements for influential skipper Andy Butler and last

season's 16-goal top scorer Craig Westcarr.

Butler turned down the offer of a new deal at the Banks's and to date player-coach Dean Holden and Ben Purkiss are the only out-of-contract stars to have signed up for next term, with the manager still waiting for answers from James Chambers, Andy Taylor, Kieron Morris and Jake Heath while pursuing other targets.

"It's holiday season at the moment and everyone says about spinning plates," added Smith. "The clubs like ours are spinning plates and a number of agents and players are spinning plates as well."

"It seems to be that kind of situation at the moment. People are on holiday and you are trying to push them into making early decisions."

"We have had a few targets come up and visit us at the training ground and have liked what they have seen. Now it's all about us negotiating the best deal."

The Saddlers have signed an agreement with HomeServe to be front-of-shirt sponsor for the next three years.



Richard O'Donnell, left, Sam Mantom and Adam Chambers show off the new Saddlers kit

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